



2026

# MEDIA GUIDE



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# 2026 Spirit

# SCHEDULE

 <b>MAR 13</b> 8:00 PM   prime	 <b>JUL 26</b> 7:00 PM   VICTORY <sup>3</sup>
 <b>MAR 20</b> 8:00 PM   VICTORY <sup>3</sup>	 <b>JUL 29</b> 9:00 PM   NWSL <sup>+</sup>
 <b>MAR 25</b> 7:00 PM   VICTORY <sup>3</sup>	 <b>AUG 2</b> 4:00 PM   CBS SPORTS NETWORK
 <b>MAR 28</b> 2:00 PM   CBS	 <b>AUG 8</b> 6:30 PM   ion
 <b>APR 5</b> 5:00 PM   ESPN 2	 <b>AUG 16</b> 9:00 PM   ESPN
 <b>APR 24</b> 8:00 PM   prime	 <b>AUG 23</b> 4:00 PM   ESPN 2
 <b>APR 29</b> 7:00 PM   VICTORY <sup>3</sup>	 <b>AUG 30</b> 12:30 PM   ESPN 2
 <b>MAY 2</b> 4:00 PM   ion	 <b>SEP 6</b> 4:00 PM   CBS
 <b>MAY 10</b> 7:00 PM   VICTORY <sup>3</sup>	 <b>SEP 13</b> 1:00 PM   ESPN
 <b>MAY 15</b> 10:00 PM   VICTORY <sup>3</sup>	 <b>SEP 20</b> 5:00 PM   ESPN
 <b>MAY 30</b> 6:30 PM   ion	 <b>SEP 26</b> 6:30 PM   ion
 <b>JUL 3</b> 8:00 PM   VICTORY <sup>3</sup>	 <b>OCT 4</b> 7:00 PM   VICTORY <sup>3</sup>
 <b>JUL 11</b> 6:30 PM   ion	 <b>OCT 17</b> 12:30 PM   CBS
 <b>JUL 15</b> 7:00 PM   NWSL <sup>+</sup>	 <b>OCT 25</b> 5:00 PM   ESPN
 <b>JUL 19</b> 7:00 PM   VICTORY <sup>3</sup>	 <b>NOV 1</b> 5:00 PM   ESPN

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# Club History

When the National Women's Soccer League (NWSL) was founded in 2012, the Washington, D.C. area was selected as one of eight markets that would field a team to compete in the competition's inaugural season. The team's name was announced as the Washington Spirit in December 2012. Since its founding, the Spirit has participated in all 13 seasons of the league thus far, with its best result coming in 2021 when Washington defeated the Chicago Red Stars to win the club's first-ever NWSL Championship.



After joining the club as a minority investor in 2021, visionary businesswoman Michele Kang became the majority owner of the Spirit prior to the 2022 season and brought in basketball legend Earvin "Magic" Johnson as a club investor in 2024. Under Kang, the Spirit has seen remarkable growth as a professional club. In her first year at the helm, Kang brought in one of college soccer's most successful head coaches in Mark Krikorian and struck a deal to have the Spirit play all home matches at Audi Field, DC's soccer-specific stadium as part of her vision to build a 'premier, professional and proudly DC' women's soccer team.

The Spirit began playing select matches at Audi Field in Washington, D.C. during the 2018 season before moving to the venue full-time prior to the 2023 season. The club regularly draws impressive crowds at its home matches and has seen a consistent increase in average attendance since becoming tenants at Audi Field. In the past two seasons alone, the team has sold out its home venue six times, including on June 15, 2024 when it set a new single match club attendance record of 19,897. The Spirit has sold out four consecutive home playoff matches over the past two years as well, winning all four matches en route to two consecutive NWSL Championship appearances.

During the first three years of Michele Kang's majority ownership from 2022 to 2025, the club was quickly set on a path to preeminence. The Spirit underwent important growth in staffing and impactful roster-building, notably in free agent signings and international transfers in addition to its historic 2024 draft class. After the 2022 team finished a tough season near the bottom of the table, the Spirit quickly bounced back and found itself setting club records on and off the pitch during its historic 2024 and 2025 seasons. In each of the past two seasons, the Spirit has finished in the top two of the league table to earn home-field advantage in the postseason, helping the side advance to the title match both seasons.

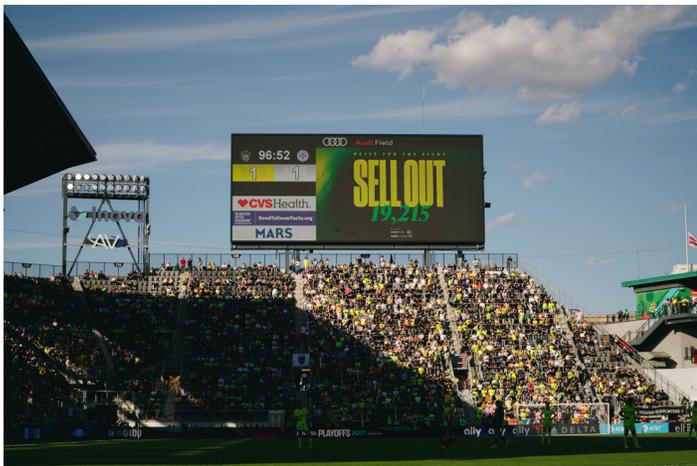


# Club History

Last season, the Spirit promoted Adrian Gonzalez to be the club's Head Coach after a year and a half with the team in an Interim Head Coach and Assistant Coach role. Taking over midseason, Gonzalez guided the Spirit to yet another top two finish as the club continues to establish itself as one of the NWSL's elite. At the helm, Gonzalez holds a record of 19-7-9 across all competitions and has shown the ability to get the best out of a robust roster week in and week out. Following the 2025 season, the Spirit hired league-renowned Haley Carter to oversee the club's sporting side as President of Soccer Operations. Carter came to DC after building an NWSL powerhouse in Orlando that won both the Shield and Championship in 2024.



The Spirit heads into its 2026 campaign fresh off of re-signing global superstar Trinity Rodman to a three-year deal, keeping her with the club through the 2028 season. A heavily sought after free agent this past offseason, Rodman pointed to her love for the fans in DC as a major reason for decision to extend her time in the DMV. Washington will feature the likes of star players like Tara Rudd, Leicy Santos, Hal Hershfelt, Sofia Cantore, Rosemonde Kouassi and more this year when it kicks off its season on Friday, March 13 against Portland Thorns FC in a semifinal rematch.



Audi Field, the Spirit's home stadium, is a state-of-the-art soccer-specific venue that is also home to Major League Soccer's D.C. United. Located near Nationals Park in Washington, D.C.'s Buzzard Point, the stadium officially opened its doors on July 14, 2018.

In 2018, the Spirit coordinated with D.C. United to start playing select home matches at Audi Field. The Spirit played its first-ever game at the venue on August 25, 2018. A year later, on August 24, 2019, the team hosted a then-club record 19,871 fans. Throughout the 2021 and 2022 seasons, the Spirit hosted roughly half of its home matches at Audi Field before becoming full-time tenants of the venue. In 2023, the Spirit averaged nearly 11,000 fans per home contest.



The 2024 season was a banner year for Spirit crowds at Audi Field. Across 16 home matches, Washington totaled over 230,000 fans in attendance for an average of over 14,600 per match. In 2024 alone, the Spirit saw 11 of its top 14 home attendances in club history, including three sellouts. The club's June 15, 2024 match against San Diego Wave FC saw 19,897 fans come through the gates, a new single match club record. Earning the second overall seed in the 2024 NWSL Playoffs, the Spirit hosted two postseason matches, selling out the second of which in just 72 hours. On top of NWSL competition, Audi

Field also hosted two international club friendly matches in 2024 when English clubs Arsenal W.F.C. and Chelsea F.C. Women came to DC. The Spirit set a new attendance record for an NWSL-hosted international friendly with over 15,000 fans in the building for the club's match with Arsenal.

In 2025, the Spirit built on the previous season's success in impressive fashion with its highest average attendance across a full year yet. With nearly 237,000 in total attendance at Audi Field across the regular season and playoffs, Washington averaged almost 15,800 fans per home contest and became just the fourth women's professional club in the world to average over 15,000 across a full season. The club achieved another three sellouts in 2025 including both of its home playoff matches.

Audi Field has proven to be a fortress for the Spirit, providing a notable homefield advantage. In 68 total contests at the stadium, Washington has tallied a record of 37 wins, 14 losses and 17 draws for a winning percentage of nearly 67 percent in DC. The 2024 Spirit team set a new club mark with 11 home wins across all competitions.



# Spirit in Bloom Kits

Starting this season, the Washington Spirit will don its new 'Spirit in Bloom' kit, embracing DC's iconic spring cherry blossom bloom in a vibrant pink and the club's Spirit Green. This year's newest kit will join the Spirit's yellow 'Shockwave' kit as the club's two uniform options as it begins its fight for another NWSL Championship in 2026.

The new kit's designation as 'Spirit in Bloom' represents the club's perpetual growth and identity as a standard-bearer in women's professional sports. The new vibrant design pairs a bright blossom pink with Spirit Green, delivering on years of fan demand for a cherry blossom-themed kit while grounding the look in the District's identity. The cherry blossom branches across the front of the kit are emblematic of the Potomac and Anacostia Rivers that help to give the District its noteworthy shape.

Among the most notable aspects of the 'Spirit in Bloom' kit is its origin. The initial design concept for the kit came from longtime Spirit staff member Ben Berczek, who served as the team Equipment Manager for five seasons from 2018 through 2022 before being promoted to Director of Operations ahead of the 2023 season. As the "kit man", Berczek was very familiar with player and fan desire for a cherry blossom uniform when he started his process.

"While brainstorming ways to create a cherry blossom uniform unique to the Spirit, the way sakura branches break away from one another reminded me of how the Potomac and Anacostia Rivers split to form the shape of DC around Audi Field," said Berczek. "The main cherry blossom branch you see on the front of the 'Spirit in Bloom' kit mimics



the path the Anacostia River takes north through DC. It has been an honor to work with Nike since presenting the initial concept and see it bloom into our new primary kit. I'm very excited to see the finished product on the pitch and give players and fans alike a cherry blossom kit that they have been requesting for years."

The two-tone green base color of the kit showcases the sakura tree's summer and fall foliage and allows for the pink cherry blossoms to pop throughout the jersey. The cherry blossom pattern is replaced by a solid Spirit Green panel on the back of the kit to

ensure player names and numbers are properly highlighted and legible. The back panel also blends in with the jersey's Spirit Green side striping.

CVS Health is back as the Spirit's front-of-kit partner for the fifth consecutive season as part of the company's record-setting multi-year agreement with the club, one that last week turned into a landmark deal with the league. Adorned in pink to match the highlight of the kit, the CVS Health logo fits right in with the new iconic outfit. In its third year with the club, Mars is highlighting its petcare division, with IAMS as the lead brand in its place on the right sleeve. Events DC returns as the upper back partner after joining the Spirit kit last summer while the American Beverage Association becomes the club's newest kit partner with its logo emblazoned on the lower back.





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# Community Partners



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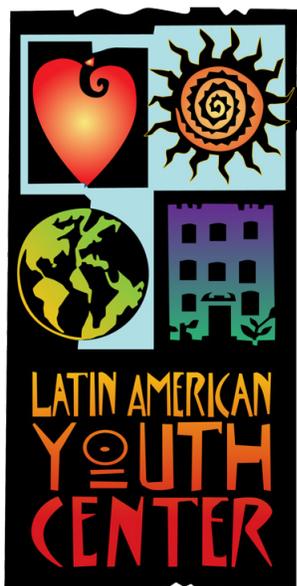
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OF GREATER WASHINGTON**



**DC  
SCORES**



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## MICHELE KANG

Spirit majority owner Michele Kang is an American businesswoman, investor and philanthropist. Born and raised in South Korea, Kang came to the United States as a student to pursue her American dream. She has spent her career building businesses that challenge the status quo—and leveraging her own successes, she has focused on helping others achieve their own American dreams.

Kang was the founder and CEO of Cognosante. A visionary in the field of health information technology, Michele founded Cognosante in 2008 to disrupt and challenge the status quo in the U.S. healthcare system. Under Michele's

leadership, Cognosante grew rapidly and emerged as a trusted provider of innovative health and safety solutions for key Federal health, military, and intelligence agencies as well as state health and social services agencies. In 2024, Michele sold Cognosante as she shifted her full attention on supporting and growing women's sports through her company Kynisca.

In 2020, Kang laid the groundwork for women's ownership of major sports franchises by becoming the first female co-owner of a National Women's Soccer League club, the Washington Spirit. The following year, Kang was a part of the ownership that hoisted 2021 NWSL Championship trophy and, in 2022, she became the club's majority owner — in the process becoming the first woman of color to own a majority stake in an NWSL team.

Upon taking over the Spirit in 2022, Kang has worked to make her vision of building the best club in the world. Kang made immediate investments in the team, hiring three-time NCAA champion coach Mark Krikorian as the team's President of Soccer Operations/General Manager to guide the club on the sporting side. In his three years with the team, Krikorian built rosters that earned a berth in back-to-back NWSL Championships. Her investments have included developing a bespoke sports performance and medical staff, one of the most robust such staffs in the women's game. Additionally, Kang helped negotiate a deal to secure Audi Field as the Spirit's full-time venue for home matches, a move that has proven key in supporting the club's growing attendances and developing one of the league's most recognizable home pitch advantages. Most recently, promoted Adrian Gonzalez to be the side's Head Coach after notable success as the club's Interim Head Coach and Assistant Coach. Kang also landed Haley Carter as the club's new President of Soccer Operations following the 2025 season after Carter built a double champion in Orlando, winning both the Shield and Championship.

On May 16, 2023, Kang officially announced the creation of a multi-club organization bringing the Spirit and French club OL Lyonnes, an eight-time UEFA Champions League winner, as the first teams in a network of women's soccer clubs stretching around the globe. It is the first woman-owned, women-led multi-club organization of its kind. Michele then purchased a controlling stake in England's London City Lionesses and established Kynisca Sports International, Ltd., the first woman-owned multi-team global organization dedicated to women's football.



Michele demonstrates a commitment to equity, inclusion and opportunity for all — something that is reflected in the Spirit's and Kynisca's culture and the philanthropic initiatives she established. While still with Cognosante, Michele launched the company's HBCU Partner Alliance, a new program built through a targeted collaboration with Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs). The HBCU Partner Alliance prepares students of color for promising careers in IT and government contracting. Her efforts promote economic sustainability through entrepreneurship and focus on increasing opportunities for Veterans, under-resourced young adults, and persons with disabilities. With a mission to promote the dignity of work, the Cognosante Foundation, established in 2012, focused on supporting members from underserved communities as they pursue financial independence through meaningful careers.

In recognition of her entrepreneurial success and philanthropic efforts, she has received numerous accolades, perhaps most notably the 2025 ESPYs Sports Humanitarian Award. Kang has earned other such honors including the Palm Beach Atlantic University 2019 American Free Enterprise Medal, the 2015 EY Entrepreneur of The Year® for the Washington, D.C. region and the U.S. Award for Services. She was elected along with U.S. senators, high-ranking government officials and top executives of Fortune 500 companies as an inaugural member of 100 Women Leaders in STEM in 2012 and one of the "Top 100 CEO Leaders in STEM" in 2016.



## INVESTOR EARVIN "MAGIC" JOHNSON

Since becoming the Spirit's majority owner three years ago, Michele Kang has brought an impressive group of investors to the club. Most notably, basketball star and business maverick Earvin "Magic" Johnson decided to invest in the club in 2024, citing Michele's vision for and commitment to the Spirit. Johnson also holds partial ownership in the Washington Commanders (NFL), Los Angeles Dodgers (MLB), Los Angeles Sparks (WNBA), Los Angeles FC (MLS) and eSports franchise Team Liquid.



**ADRIÁN  
GONZÁLEZ**  
HEAD COACH

Adrián González was promoted to be the Spirit's permanent Head Coach in June 2025 after a year and a half with the club. As the Interim Head Coach in 2024, González led the Spirit to a fast start in the club's first 15 matches of the regular season, compiling a record of ten wins, four losses and one draw. After a year as an Assistant Coach, González stepped back into the top job and led the Spirit to a strong second half of the season last year, earning the two-seed and home-field advantage in the playoffs again. González led Washington through two home postseason matches and back to the NWSL Championship in his first season at the helm full-time.

After taking over as Head Coach, González promptly led the spirit to a 16-match unbeaten streak from June into late October through both NWSL regular season and Concacaf W Champions Cup group play. The streak was the longest such single-season run in club history and helped the Spirit overtake second place on the table and not look back en route to a second straight top-two finish in the NWSL.

Throughout his two seasons in DC, González has managed several players to notable accolades and been a finalist for one himself. In 2024, the Spirit had five players on year-end NWSL Best XI lists, including current players Trinity Rodman, Casey Krueger, Hal Hershfelt and Tara Rudd as well as the season's Midfielder and Rookie of the Year. In 2025, González coached Tara Rudd on her way to her first NWSL Defender of the Year award while González was named a finalist for NWSL Coach of the Year.

González brought an impressive 20-plus-year international coaching career with him to DC. Most recently, González served as the Head Coach at RCD Espanyol in Spain's Primera Federación, the country's second-tier professional women's league. Prior to his time with the women's first team, he coached various men's youth teams at Espanyol and coached in both Japan, with Ventforet Kofu, and Greece, with Xanthi FC.

In addition to his impressive coaching credentials, González brings extensive academic training to the Spirit. He holds a degree in Sport Science by INEF Lleida, two master's degrees in Sport Management and Financial Intelligence and a UEFA A license. González is originally from Barcelona, Spain.

# Coaching Staff





**CRISTIAN  
CATENA**

**ASSISTANT COACH**

Catena, a Spanish coach, joins the Spirit after over 14 years at FC Barcelona, serving as head coach across all levels of the club's academy. A holder of the UEFA Pro Licence, he brings extensive experience in player development and talent identification, having worked with players such as Eric García, Xavi Simons, and Alejandro Balde.



**SALVA  
TODOLÍ**

**ASSISTANT COACH /  
VIDEO ANALYST LEAD**

Todolí joins González's staff after a ten-plus-year coaching career in Europe, serving as a Tactical Analyst and as an Assistant Coach. He worked in Spain for Albacete Balompié from 2023-25 and in Greece for Olympiacos FC from 2022-23 and AO Xanthi from 2021-22. Prior to that, Todolí was a part of Levante UD in Spain from 2015-20.

Todolí holds a Bachelor's degree of sciences in Physical Education and Sport from the University of Valencia as well as a Master's degree in Scouting in Football from Camilo José Cela University in Madrid. He also holds a Level 2 Football Coaching License from the CENETED Sports Education Center in Valencia.



**VICTORIA  
BOARDMAN**

**ASSISTANT COACH /  
PLAYER DEVELOPMENT  
SPECIALIST**

Boardman joins the Washington Spirit as an Assistant Coach/Player Development Specialist after previously serving on the coaching staff of the North Carolina Courage from 2023-25, where she helped lead the club to the NWSL Challenge Cup title in 2023 and the NWSL playoffs in consecutive seasons. Boardman was also part of the inaugural coaching staff at San Diego Wave FC, helping guide the expansion club to the playoffs in its first season in 2022. A former professional player and England youth international, Boardman also has experience working within the U.S. Youth National Team system.

Boardman holds a U.S. Soccer Pro License, the highest coaching certification in the United States and is currently a UEFA Pro Diploma candidate.



**MIKE  
BRISTOL**

**ASSISTANT COACH /  
DIRECTOR OF  
PLAYER PERSONNEL**

After serving as an assistant coach at Florida State for 13 seasons, Mike Bristol joined the Spirit in August 2022. Over the past two seasons, Bristol has coached the Spirit defending third to 20 clean sheets and a 1.05 goals against average.

Bristol is a defensive specialist. During his time at Florida State, Bristol oversaw a defending third that averaged over 14 shutouts per season and held a goals against average (GAA) of 0.69 while helping FSU to three national championships during his tenure. For his impressive work, Bristol was named the 2014 NCAA Assistant Coach of the Year.

Prior to his move to Tallahassee, Bristol served as an assistant coach at the University of Maryland and Illinois State University. Additionally, Bristol was a four-year starter in goal for the Western Illinois University Leathernecks from 1995 through 1998, serving as a team captain for three seasons.



**NICOLE  
BARNHART**

**ASSISTANT  
GOALKEEPER COACH**

Nicole Barnhart joined the Spirit technical staff prior to the 2025 season after retiring from her illustrious professional playing career that spanned nearly two decades. Prior to playing her final three seasons with the Spirit, Barnhart spent the first nine years of her NWSL career with FC Kansas City/Utah Royals FC. Despite making only three regular season appearances with the Spirit since 2022, Barnhart still holds the all-time NWSL record for clean sheets at 52 in just 144 matches. The soccer icon also won two NWSL Championship with FC Kansas City in 2014 and 2015, making her the only keeper in league history to win back-to-back titles. Before the NWSL's founding, Barnhart played professionally in the Women's Premier Soccer League (WPSL) and Women's Professional Soccer (WPS).

On the international stage, Barnhart's career with the USWNT was just as impressive as her club career. With 54 appearances for the senior side, the goalkeeper was a valuable part of the team throughout the 2000s and early 2010s. Barnhart won two gold medals with the USWNT, at the 2008 Olympics in Beijing and at the 2012 Olympics in London.

## SPORTING STAFF



**Haley Carter**  
President of Soccer  
Operations



**Nathan Minion**  
General Manager



**James Hocken**  
Sporting Director



**Alicia Tang**  
Vice President of  
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- Victor Cervera Raga - Return-to-Play / Performance Coach
- Mike Trinh - Applied Sports Scientist
- Owen Munro - Performance Scientist
- Amanda Mutuwa - Performance Scientist
- Casey Greenwalt - Performance Scientist
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- Brittini Hsu - Team Physical Therapist
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- Michael Krikorian - Recruitment Analyst

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- Jordan Small - Equipment Manager
- Aliya Stubenbord - Equipment Assistant
- Ivan Pena - Sporting Operations & Special Operations Coordinator

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**Kim Bolt**  
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**Shameeka Quallo**  
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**Ruba Minhas**  
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Ryan McGovern - Account Manager, Premium Service  
Jordan Sbitan - Account Manager, Membership Service  
Robel Tewelde - Senior Account Executive, Group Sales  
Jordan Hughes - Account Executive, Group Sales  
Jahaziel Lopez - Account Executive, Membership Sales  
Mitchell Marcus - Account Executive, Group Sales  
Joseph Nathanson - Account Executive, Membership Sales  
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Members of the media can access press conference recordings, match notes, photos, highlights, name pronunciations and more in the Spirit's Media Resources portal linked [HERE](#)



# Player Roster

## NUMERICAL

#	NAME	POSITION	HEIGHT	STATUS
1	Aubrey Kingsbury	Goalkeeper	5'9"	Maternity Leave
2	Trinity Rodman	Forward	5'8"	
3	Casey Krueger	Defender	5'7"	Maternity Leave
4	Rebeca Bernal	Defender	5'6"	
5	Élisabeth Tsé	Defender	5'9"	INTL - Canada
6	Kate Wiesner	Defender	5'7"	
9	Tara Rudd	Defender	5'8"	
10	Leicy Santos	Midfielder	5'1"	
11	Claudia Martínez	Forward	5'6"	INTL - Paraguay
12	Andi Sullivan	Midfielder	5'7"	
13	Lucia Di Guglielmo	Defender	5'3"	INTL - Italy
14	Gabrielle Carle	Defender	5'6"	
16	Tamara Bolt	Forward	5'9"	INTL - Brazil
17	Hal Hershfelt	Midfielder	5'8"	
18	Sandy MacIver	Goalkeeper	5'9"	INTL - Scotland
19	Rosemonde Kouassi	Forward	5'2"	
20	Deborah Abiodun	Midfielder	5'6"	INTL - Nigeria
21	Gift Monday	Forward	5'6"	INTL - Nigeria
22	Heather Stainbrook	Midfielder	5'4"	On Loan
24	Esme Morgan	Defender	5'10"	
26	Paige Metayer	Defender	5'10"	
27	Sofia Cantore	Forward	5'6"	INTL - Italy
28	Sara Wojdelko	Goalkeeper	5'9"	On Loan
29	Emma Gaines-Ramos	Forward	5'7"	
31	Kaylie Collins	Goalkeeper	5'10"	
33	Ashley Hatch	Forward	5'9"	Maternity Leave
34	Molly Skurcenski	Midfielder	5'9"	
35	Madison Haugen	Defender	5'6"	

## ALPHABETICAL

NAME	PREFERRED PRONOUNS	DATE OF BIRTH
Deborah Abiodun	She/Her	11/02/2003
Rebeca Bernal	She/Her	08/31/1997
Tamara Bolt	She/Her	05/12/2003
Sofia Cantore	She/Her	09/30/1999
Gabrielle Carle	She/Her	10/12/1998
Kaylie Collins	She/Her	05/17/1998
Lucia Di Guglielmo	She/Her	06/27/1997
Emma Gaines-Ramos	She/Her	03/18/2002
Ashley Hatch	She/Her	05/25/1995
Madison Haugen	She/Her	11/30/2001
Hal Hershfelt	She/Her	10/03/2001
Aubrey Kingsbury	She/Her	11/20/1991
Rosemonde Kouassi	She/Her	12/26/2001
Casey Krueger	She/Her	08/23/1990
Sandy MacIver	She/Her	06/18/1998
Claudia Martinez	She/Her	01/15/2008
Paige Metayer	She/Her	09/23/2000
Gift Monday	She/Her	12/09/2001
Esme Morgan	She/Her	10/18/2000
Trinity Rodman	She/Her	05/20/2002
Tara Rudd	She/Her	07/02/1999
Leicy Santos	She/Her	05/16/1996
Molly Skurcenski	She/Her	02/20/2004
Heather Stainbrook	She/Her	03/14/2001
Andi Sullivan	She/Her	12/20/1995
Élisabeth Tsé	She/Her	12/07/2002
Kate Wiesner	She/Her	02/11/2001
Sara Wojdelko	She/Her	05/14/2003



## AUBREY KINGSBURY | 1

Goalkeeper ([Pronunciation](#))

<b>Status</b>	Maternity Leave
<b>Hometown</b>	Cincinnati, Ohio
<b>Date of Birth</b>	11/20/1991
<b>Height</b>	5' 9"
<b>Pronouns</b>	She/Her
<b>College</b>	Wake Forest
<b>Previous Club</b>	Orlando Pride

### PROFESSIONAL

**2025:** Started 25 regular season matches and three playoff matches, seeing 2,595 minutes of action across all competition. Tallied eight regular season clean sheets, increasing her career total to 45. Led the team with 71 saves and a 1.11 goals against average (GAA). Became the first player in NWSL history to record a shutout against all 14 active clubs with her clean sheet against Kansas City in September. Sits in fourth place in saves and clean sheets in NWSL regular season history entering the 2026 season.

**2024:** Started all 26 regular season matches and three playoff matches, seeing 2,609 minutes of action, missing only one minute. Collected seven clean sheets in the regular season, increasing her career total to 37. Led the team with 74 saves and a 1.08 goals against average (GAA). Surpassed teammate Nicole Barnhart and Kansas City's AD Franch to reach fifth-most regular season saves in league history. Became just the fifth goalkeeper in league history to reach 50 regular season wins. Saved all three penalty kicks she faced in the team's quarterfinal PK shootout against rival Gotham FC to send the Spirit to the 2024 NWSL Championship.

**2023:** Started all 20 matches in which she appeared, playing 1,799 minutes in goal. Secured four clean sheets and had a save success rate of 75.9% and a goals against average (GAA) of 1.20. Made her 100th regular season appearance in the season opener on March 26. Became the sixth goalkeeper in NWSL history to achieve each of the following milestones: 10,000 career regular season minutes, 400 career regular season saves and 30 regular season clean sheets.

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### INTERNATIONAL

**2024:** Called up to U.S. Women's National Team for the squad's May/June camp and friendlies. Rostered for the USWNT's June 1 and June 4 friendlies against Korea Republic.

**2023:** Called up to the U.S. Women's National Team (USWNT) for the 2023 FIFA Women's World Cup, making her first-ever World Cup roster.

**2022:** Capped for the USWNT for the first time. Started in her first appearance, recording a clean sheet.

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More career info available [HERE](#)

### ACCOLADES

NWSL Champion (2021)

2x NWSL Goalkeeper of the Year (2019, 2021)

NWSL Championship MVP (2021)

NWSL Challenge Cup MVP (2025)

7x NWSL Best XI of the Month (April 2018, May 2019, June 2019, August 2019, October 2021, April 2025, September 2025)

Concacaf W Championship (2022)

### BY THE NUMBERS

2

Kingsbury has won two NWSL Goalkeeper of the Year awards in her pro career (2019, 2021).

564

With 564 in her regular season career, Kingsbury has the fourth-most saves in NWSL history.

45

Throughout her career, Kingsbury has tallied 45 regular season clean sheets, fourth-most in league history.

15,160

Kingsbury has played 15,160 regular season minutes in her career, including the most for the Spirit by a single player in club history.



## TRINITY RODMAN | 2

Forward ([Pronunciation](#))

<b>Status</b>	Active
<b>Hometown</b>	Newport Beach, Calif.
<b>Date of Birth</b>	05/20/2002
<b>Height</b>	5' 8"
<b>Pronouns</b>	She/Her
<b>College</b>	Washington State

### PROFESSIONAL

**2025:** Appeared in 20 total matches, tallying seven goals and two assists. Returned from injury on August 3 after four months rehabbing injury and scored the game-winning goal against Portland in stoppage time. Three goals and two assists in September, named to month's NWSL Best XI.

**2024:** Tied Ouleye Sarr for the team lead with eight goals in the regular season, added five assists passing Crystal Dunn and Diana Matheson to become the Spirit's all-time regular season assists leader. Played 1,770 regular season minutes, averaging 0.66 goal contributions per 90 minutes. Appeared in 23 regular season matches and all three playoff matches, playing all 330 minutes of the Spirit's postseason matches. Named to the league's September Best XI of the Month, was a finalist for 2024 NWSL MVP, named to the NWSL's year-end Best XI First Team.

**2023:** Started all 19 matches in which she appeared, playing a total of 1,635 minutes. Finished tied for second on the team with five goals. Became the youngest player in NWSL history to record 10 assists and 10 goals in a regular season career and the youngest player in Spirit history to make 50 appearances with the team. Named to the 2023 NWSL Best XI Second Team.

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### INTERNATIONAL

**2025:** Appeared in two matches, scoring one goal as she spent much of 2025 rehabbing her back.

**2024:** Appeared in 18 matches for the U.S. Women's National Team, scoring three goals and adding four assists. Helped the side win the Concacaf W Gold Cup, SheBelieves Cup and gold medal at the 2024 Olympics. Scored three goals and provided an assist during the Olympic gold medal run in France. Netted the extra time winner in the Olympic quarterfinal against Japan.

**2023:** Appeared in 16 matches (10 starts), playing 954 minutes. Added four goals and three assists on the year. Called up for the 2023 FIFA Women's World Cup, making her first World Cup appearance at the Australia/New Zealand tournament.

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### ACCOLADES

NWSL Champion (2021)

2x NWSL Best XI (2021, 2024)

NWSL Second XI (2023)

NWSL Rookie of the Year (2021)

U.S. Soccer Young Female Player of the Year (2021)

NWSL MVP Finalist (2024)

2x Ballon d'Or Finalist (2022, 2024)

Olympic Gold Medalist (Paris 2024)

Concacaf W Gold Cup (2024)

Concacaf W Championship (2022)

### BY THE NUMBERS

18

Rodman holds the Spirit regular season career record with 18 assists.

59

Across all NWSL competitions and W Champions Cup play, Rodman has tallied 59 total goal contributions.

28

With 28 goals across her regular season NWSL career, Rodman is the Spirit's second-leading scorer in club history, trailing only Ashley Hatch.

97

Rodman enters the 2026 season with 97 total regular season appearances for the Spirit.



## CASEY KRUEGER | 3

Defender ([Pronunciation](#))

<b>Status</b>	Maternity Leave
<b>Hometown</b>	Naperville, Ill.
<b>Date of Birth</b>	08/23/1990
<b>Height</b>	5' 7"
<b>Pronouns</b>	She/Her
<b>College</b>	Florida State
<b>Previous Club</b>	Chicago Stars FC

### PROFESSIONAL

**2025:** Appeared in ten total matches, tallying two goal contributions. Scored a point-saving equalizer in stoppage time of the Spirit's May 17 home match against Utah with a header. Provided the game-winning assist in the Spirit's June 8 home match against North Carolina. Missed the second half of the season as she went on maternity leave.

**2024:** Appeared in 22 regular season matches, starting 20 and playing 1,681 minutes. Started all three of the Spirit's playoff matches. Mainstay of the Spirit back line, contributing to all seven clean sheets. Named to NWSL's Best XI of the Month for March/April and June (extending her record for most such monthly honors in league history at 14), named to the year-end 2024 Best XI First Team, her third such honor.

**2023 (CHICAGO RED STARS):** Started all 20 matches, playing 1,709 minutes. Added two assists and 29 tackles. Logged the only 3-assist game in Challenge Cup history and just the sixth three or more assist performance in league history in all competitions on August 5, 2023 vs. HOU.

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### INTERNATIONAL

**2024:** Called up to U.S. Women's National Team for all six international competition windows of 2024. Appeared in 18 matches for the USWNT, starting four and providing two assists. Contributed a goal line clearance in the March 10 Concacaf W Gold Cup final against Brazil, helping the U.S. win the tournament. Appeared in all six Olympic matches, taking home a gold medal for her first major tournament title.

**2023:** Appeared in five matches (two starts) for the USWNT, playing 228 minutes.

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### ACCOLADES

2025 NWSL Challenge Cup Champion (2025)

3x NWSL Best XI (2017, 2019, 2024)

NWSL Second XI (2016)

2x NWSL Defender of the Year Finalist (2017, 2019)

Olympic Gold Medalist (Paris 2024)

Concacaf W Gold Cup (2024)

Olympic Bronze Medalist (Tokyo 2021)

### BY THE NUMBERS

2

Krueger has two Olympic medals with the USWNT (bronze in 2021 and gold in 2024).

25

The defender has tallied ten goals and 15 assists from the back line across all competitions in her NWSL career.

15

With 15 NWSL Best XI of the Month selections throughout her career, Krueger is tied for most such honors in league history.

11,837

Krueger has played 11,837 regular season minutes in her career.



## REBECA BERNAL | 4

Defender ([Pronunciation](#))

<b>Status</b>	Active
<b>Hometown</b>	Tampico, Tamaulipas, Mexico
<b>Date of Birth</b>	08/31/1997
<b>Height</b>	5' 6"
<b>Pronouns</b>	She/Her
<b>Previous Club</b>	C.F. Monterrey

### PROFESSIONAL

**2025:** Appeared in 28 total matches for the Spirit, tallying 2,184 minutes of playing time. A key part of the Spirit defending third that totaled 12 clean sheets across all competitions.

**2017-25 (C.F. Monterrey):** In eight seasons at C.F. Monterrey in Mexico's top-tier Liga MX Femenil, Bernal appeared in over 250 matches with Rayadas, leading the side to three Apertura titles (2019, 2021, 2024) and one Clausura title (2024). Bernal has tallied over 65 goals from the back line across her career.

### INTERNATIONAL

At the international level, Bernal made her debut for the Mexican women's senior team in 2017 and has since appeared in 65 matches for her home country, scoring seven goals. The standout helped Mexico win its first-ever Pan American Games gold medal at the 2023 tournament and went on to earn Best XI honors for her performance at the 2024 Concacaf Gold Cup. In 2025, Bernal was called up to the senior team for every international window. During October competition, the defender wore the captain's armband and provided a game-winning assist against New Zealand.

More career info available [HERE](#)

### ACCOLADES

2025 NWSL Challenge Cup Champion (2025)

3x Liga MX Femenil Apertura Champion (2019, 2021, 2024)

Liga MX Femenil Clausura Champion (2024)

Concacaf W Gold Cup Best XI (2024)

Pan American Games Gold Medal (2023)

### BY THE NUMBERS

4

Bernal led her former club C.F. Monterrey Femenil to four league titles throughout her tenure.

24

Through 28 total appearances for the Spirit, Bernal has been part of the Starting XI for 24 of them at center back.

12

Bernal was an integral part of a Spirit defending third that collected 12 total clean sheets in 2025

2,184

The defender played 2,184 minutes for the Spirit in her first season at the club.



## ÉLISABETH TSÉ | 5

Defender ([Pronunciation](#))

<b>Status</b>	Active
<b>Hometown</b>	Quebec City, Quebec, Canada
<b>Date of Birth</b>	12/07/2002
<b>Height</b>	5' 9"
<b>Pronouns</b>	She/Her
<b>College</b>	SMU
<b>Previous Club</b>	Le Havre AC

### PROFESSIONAL

**2023-25 (Le Havre):** Made the move to France's top-flight league after one season in the second division. Appeared in over 50 total matches with Le Havre across two and a half seasons, including league and Coupe de France play.

**2022-23 (GPSO 92 Issy):** Appeared in over 20 matches during her first professional season, scoring two goals.

### INTERNATIONAL

Tsé has competed for various Canadian youth national teams, including major tournaments for both the U-17 and U-20 teams. The defender represented Canada at the 2018 Concacaf Women's U-17 Championship, 2022 Concacaf Women's U-20 Championship and 2022 FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup.

### SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY

**2021:** Totaled over 1,600 minutes of action over 19 matches, tallying two goals and three assists in her lone season of college soccer. For her performance, Tsé was named an All-American Athletic Conference Second Team and All-Rookie Team member.

More career info available [HERE](#)

### ACCOLADES

Second Team All-American Athletic Conference (2021)

American Athletic Conference All-Rookie Team (2021)

### DID YOU KNOW?

Tsé is a big fan of Ivorian food.

For short, she goes by Éli.

Tsé turned pro after just one season of college soccer at SMU.

Tsé's hometown is located just across the St. Lawrence River from Gabby Carle's hometown of Lévis.



## KATE WIESNER | 6

Defender ([Pronunciation](#))

<b>Status</b>	Active
<b>Hometown</b>	Monrovia, Calif.
<b>Date of Birth</b>	02/11/2001
<b>Height</b>	5' 7"
<b>Pronouns</b>	She/Her
<b>College</b>	Penn State

### PROFESSIONAL

**2025:** Appeared in 19 total matches after returning from injury in June. Scored the opening goal of the Spirit's August 23 match against Bay FC from outside the box in front of a league-record crowd of over 41,000.

**2024:** Appeared in 15 matches, playing 509 minutes in the regular season. Netted her first professional goal during the June 8 match in Utah, a game-winner. Part of the Spirit's historic 2024 rookie class that combined for 15 goals.

### INTERNATIONAL

**2025:** Earned her first full call-up to the U.S. Women's National Team in November and made her senior team debut on November 28 against Italy.

### PENN STATE UNIVERSITY

An elite defender throughout her five seasons at Penn State University. Finished her collegiate career playing 1,689 minutes, the most of her career, and earning both Third Team All-Big Ten and Big Ten All-Tournament Team honors. Tallied three consecutive Academic All-Big Ten recognitions (2020-2022) and was named to the CoSIDA Academic All-District Team in 2022.

More career info available [HERE](#)

### ACCOLADES

2025 NWSL Challenge Cup Champion (2025)

2x Big Ten Tournament Champion (2019, 2022)

Third Team All-Big Ten (2023)

3x Academic All-Big Ten (2020, 2021, 2022)

### DID YOU KNOW?

Wiesner majored in both journalism and political science at Penn State.

Other than soccer, Wiesner's favorite sport is ice hockey.

Wiesner had extensive experience with the U.S. Women's Youth National Teams, competing at the U-15, U-17, U-19, and U-23 levels.

Wiesner has scored two goals in her NWSL career, both from outside the box and both in road wins for the Spirit.



## TARA RUDD | 9

Defender ([Pronunciation](#))

<b>Status</b>	Active
<b>Hometown</b>	Newbury Park, Calif.
<b>Date of Birth</b>	07/02/1999
<b>Height</b>	5' 8"
<b>Pronouns</b>	She/Her
<b>College</b>	USC

### PROFESSIONAL

**2025:** Appeared in 32 total matches for the Spirit, collecting one goal and two assists from the back line. Assisted Casey Krueger's stoppage time equalizer against Utah in May. Scored game-winner against Vancouver in W Champions Cup group play. Named NWSL's Player of the Week for her performance in a road shutout of first-place Kansas City in September. Earned NWSL Defender of the Year after just her third season as a defender.

**2024:** Completed an Iron Woman season, playing every regular season minute (2,340) of the season in just her second year as a defender. Stalwart of the back line, contributed to seven clean sheets, third-fewest number of goals against in the league (28, tied with NC). Scored her first goal of the year in the quarterfinal match against Bay FC, a late equalizer from outside the box, helping the team move on to the semifinals. Named a finalist for the NWSL Defender of the Year award, named to the Best XI Second Team.

**2023:** Started all 21 matches in which she appeared, playing a total of 1,833 minutes. Scored one goal and added one assist. Finished the season ranked first in the NWSL in clearances (110). Voted NWSL Player of the Week in June 2023.

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### INTERNATIONAL

**2025:** Tallied two assists from the back line in nine appearances. Collected her first goal contribution with a feed to Ally Sentnor against Colombia. Added her second assist in the USWNT's friendly against Canada at Audi Field in DC.

More career info available [HERE](#)

### ACCOLADES

NWSL Champion (2021)

NWSL Challenge Cup Champion (2025)

NWSL Defender of the Year (2025)

NWSL Best XI (2025)

NWSL Iron Woman (2024)

NWSL Second XI (2024)

### BY THE NUMBERS

2

Rudd has been named to one of the league's year-end teams twice in her three seasons as a defender.

104

Rudd has appeared in 104 regular season matches across her NWSL career, all with Washington. She made her 100th

15

With seven goals and eight assists across all competitions, Rudd has provided 15 goal contributions for the Spirit.

8,217

A stalwart of the Spirit Starting XI, Rudd has tallied 8,217 career regular season minutes of action.



## LEICY SANTOS | 10

Midfielder ([Pronunciation](#))

<b>Status</b>	Active
<b>Hometown</b>	Lorica, Córdoba, Colombia
<b>Date of Birth</b>	05/16/1996
<b>Height</b>	5' 1"
<b>Pronouns</b>	She/Her
<b>Previous Club</b>	Atlético Madrid

### PROFESSIONAL

**2025:** Appeared in 23 total matches, scoring two goals and providing three assists. Connected on a stunning free kick goal to equalize the Challenge Cup against Orlando, helping the Spirit to win in penalties. All three assists determined the outcome of the match, aiding home game-winners from Ashley Hatch and Trinity Rodman and an equalizer on the road against Angel City.

**2024:** Joined the Spirit midseason after finishing the 2023-24 Liga F season with Atlético Madrid. Appeared in seven regular season matches, totaling 531 minutes of action. Scored and assisted in her NWSL debut against the Kansas City Current. Netted a game-winning header off an assist from Trinity Rodman in stoppage time of the September 7 match against Portland.

**2023 (Atlético Madrid):** Appeared in 19 matches, scoring a single-season career high six goals and added three assists.

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### INTERNATIONAL

**2025:** Helped Colombia finish as runner-up in Copa America Femenina. Scored an extra time equalizer off a direct free kick in the final against Brazil. Tallied five total goals for Colombia on the year.

**2024:** Appeared in seven matches for the Colombia Women's National Team, starting all seven. Represented Colombia at the Olympics in France, starting all four of the side's matches. Scored two goals, added one assist during the Olympic tournament. Assisted on Colombia's first goal, scored the second in the team's quarterfinal match against defending World Cup champion Spain.

**2023:** Made waves on the international stage during the 2023 FIFA Women's World Cup with her quarterfinal stunner against back-to-back The Best FIFA Women's Goalkeeper winner Mary Earps.

Santos' extensive experience at the international level includes 43 appearances for the Colombian senior national team since 2014. She represented Las Cafeteras in each of the federation's last two Women's World Cup appearances in 2015 and 2023.

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### ACCOLADES

NWSL Challenge Cup Champion (2025)

NJCAA Champion (2015)

2x Olympian (Rio 2016, Paris 2024)

Copa de la Reina Champion (2022-23)

Supercopa de Espana Femenina Champion (2020-21)

Colombian Women's Football League Champion (2017)

### BY THE NUMBERS

2

Santos connected on two direct free kick goals in 2025 including the equalizer against Orlando in the Challenge Cup.

33

Santos has appeared in 33 total matches for Washington since transferring to the NWSL.

8

The midfielder has provided eight goal contributions from the midfield since joining the Spirit midseason in 2024.

2,335

In a season and a half, Santos has tallied 2,335 total minutes of action with the Spirit.



## CLAUDIA MARTÍNEZ | 11

Forward ([Pronunciation](#))

<b>Status</b>	Active
<b>Hometown</b>	Capitan Bado, Paraguay
<b>Date of Birth</b>	01/15/2008
<b>Height</b>	5' 6"
<b>Pronouns</b>	She/Her
<b>Previous Club</b>	Club Olimpia

### PROFESSIONAL

**2024-25 (Club Olimpia):** Netted ten goals across 25 club appearances. Led her team to a top-two finish in the league in both season.

**2023 (Sportivo Ameliano):** Made her professional debut at 15 years old.

### INTERNATIONAL

**2025:** Helped Paraguay finish in the top five of the 2025 Copa América Femenina. Netted a hat trick in her side's opening match of the tournament against Bolivia. Tallied seven total goals for Paraguay on the year.

**2024:** Made her senior international debut in July 2024 against Chile and scored a goal in her first match.

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### ACCOLADES

Copa América Femenina Leading Scorer (2025)

South American U-17 Women's Championship (2025)

South American U-17 Women's Championship Leading Scorer (2025)

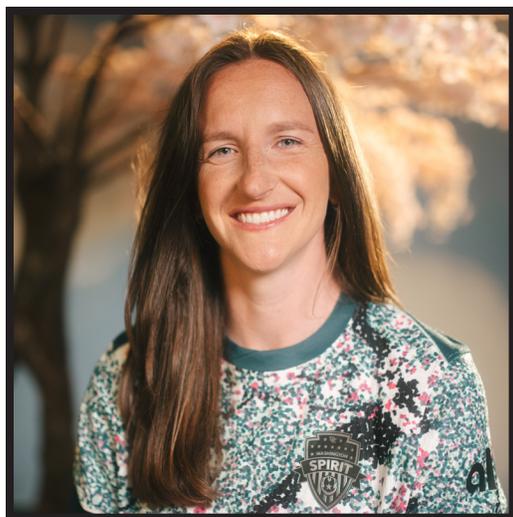
### DID YOU KNOW?

Martinez is the first Paraguayan player in NWSL history.

The forward turned pro at just 15 years old.

At just 16 years old, Martinez made her debut for the Paraguayan senior team.

Martinez will play with her first non-Paraguayan club when she debuts for the Spirit.



## ANDI SULLIVAN | 12

Midfielder ([Pronunciation](#))

<b>Status</b>	Active
<b>Hometown</b>	Lorton, Va.
<b>Date of Birth</b>	12/20/1995
<b>Height</b>	5' 7"
<b>Pronouns</b>	She/Her
<b>College</b>	Stanford

### PROFESSIONAL

**2025:** Did not appear in 2025 as she recovered from an ACL injury and went on maternity leave.

**2024:** Appeared in 21 regular season matches, starting all 21 before suffering a season-ending knee injury in October. Anchored the midfield, playing 1,717 minutes and scoring two goals (both penalty kicks). Appeared in her 100th NWSL regular season match during the April 12 match in Houston. Scored an additional penalty kick goal in the Spirit's final Summer Cup match against Chicago in July.

**2023:** Started all 19 matches in which she appeared, playing 1,706 minutes. Became the fourth player in Spirit history to eclipse 7,500 career regular season minutes with the team.

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### INTERNATIONAL

**2024:** Called up to U.S. Women's National Team's May/June camp as a training player.

**2023:** Appeared in 15 matches (12 starts), playing a total of 1,093 minutes. Increased her career U.S. Women's National Team (USWNT) caps to 52. Called up for the 2023 FIFA Women's World Cup – making her first World Cup appearance at the Australia/New Zealand tournament.

**2022:** Started in all 15 of her caps, playing a total of 1,126 minutes. Scored one goal and added one assist. Became one of four players to start in 15 or more matches in 2022.

**2021:** Appeared in six matches (five starts), playing a total of 437 minutes. Scored her first two international goals and added an assist. Was one of the final cuts to the Tokyo Olympic roster.

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More career info available [HERE](#)

### ACCOLADES

NWSL Champion (2021)

NWSL Challenge Cup Champion (2025)

NCAA Division I Champion (2017)

MAC Hermann Trophy Winner (2017)

3x First Team All-American (2015-17)

4x First Team All-Pac-12 (2014-17)

### BY THE NUMBERS

2

Sullivan has captained two teams to championships, winning the NCAA title her senior year at Stanford and the NWSL title

117

Sullivan has appeared in 117 regular season NWSL matches in her career, all with the Spirit.

16

As a defensive midfielder, Sullivan has provided 16 total goal contributions.

9,871

With 9,871 career regular season minutes played, Sullivan can join elite company if she surpasses 10,000 this season.



## LUCIA DI GUGLIELMO | 13

Defender ([Pronunciation](#))

<b>Status</b>	Active
<b>Hometown</b>	Pisa, Tuscany, Italy
<b>Date of Birth</b>	06/27/1997
<b>Height</b>	5' 3"
<b>Pronouns</b>	She/Her
<b>Previous Club</b>	AS Roma

### PROFESSIONAL

**2021-25 (AS Roma):** Spent four and a half seasons with Roma, appearing in over 75 matches for the club. Helped Roma win back-to-back Serie A titles in 2023 and 2024, qualifying for the Champions League four times.

**2011-21 (Empoli):** Competed in Serie C, Serie B before the club grew to compete in Serie A, the top-flight women's league in Italy. Appeared in over 50 Serie A matches for the side.

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### INTERNATIONAL

**2025:** Helped Italy reach its first Euro semifinal round in 28 years. Started four of the side's five matches at the tournament.

**2024:** Scored her first senior international goal in a Euro qualifying match against Finland.

**2023:** Competed with Italy at the 2023 FIFA Women's World Cup, where the side finished third in Group G.

**2022:** Named to Italy's final roster for the 2022 Euro, where the side finished fourth in Group D.

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### ACCOLADES

2x Serie A Champion (2023, 2024)

### DID YOU KNOW?

Di Guglielmo holds a Bachelor's degree in chemistry and a Master's degree in industrial chemistry.

The defender became just the third Italian player in NWSL history when she transferred to the Spirit in December 2025.

At just 14 years old, Di Guglielmo turned pro with Valdarno (now Empoli).

Di Guglielmo made her senior debut for the Italian women's national team at age 23.



## GABRIELLE CARLE | 14

Defender ([Pronunciation](#))

<b>Status</b>	Active
<b>Hometown</b>	Lévis, Quebec, Canada
<b>Date of Birth</b>	10/12/1998
<b>Height</b>	5' 6"
<b>Pronouns</b>	She/Her
<b>College</b>	Florida State
<b>Previous Club</b>	Kristianstaads DFF

### PROFESSIONAL

**2025:** Appeared in 30 total matches, tallying 2,378 minutes of action. Played a crucial role as one of the most reliable members of the Starting XI and helped the defending third collect 11 clean sheets.

**2024:** Appeared in all 26 regular season matches, totaling 2,023 minutes of playing time and two assists from the back line. Assisted Croix Bethune's goal late in the April 12 match in Houston with a picture-perfect cross. Assisted Leicy Santos' first NWSL goal on August 25 against Kansas City by saving the ball from going out of bounds on the end line and finding Santos in the box. Appeared in all three Spirit playoff matches.

**2023:** Started all 22 matches, playing 1,899 minutes. Added one assist. Finished first on the team with 36 interceptions, 32 tackles won, and second on the team with 11 crosses blocked.

**2022 (Kristianstads DFF):** Appeared in 22 matches with Kristianstads DFF of the Damallsvenskan, the highest division of women's soccer in Sweden. Played almost 1,900 minutes and tallied two goals and an assist.

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### INTERNATIONAL

**2025:** Appeared in nine matches for Canada, totaling 555 minutes of playing time. Provided one assist against China PR in the Pinatar Cup. Helped Canada to two clean sheets.

**2024:** Appeared in 13 matches for the Canada Women's National Team. Represented Canada at the 2024 Olympic Games in France, starting three of the side's four matches. Provided an assist, her fourth goal contribution at the senior international level, during Canada's friendly win against Korea Republic on December 3.

**2023:** Appeared in three matches. Called up for 2023 FIFA Women's World Cup – made her second World Cup roster.

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### ACCOLADES

NWSL Challenge Cup Champion (2025)

Olympic Gold Medalist (Tokyo 2021)

2x NCAA Division I Champion (2018, 2021)

### BY THE NUMBERS

3

Carle has provided three assists from the back line in her Spirit career.

73

With 73 regular season appearances in her Spirit career, Carle is already in the top ten for matches played in club history.

22

Across three seasons, Carle has contributed to 22 total clean sheets for the Spirit.

5,997

Carle is three minutes away from 6,000 in her regular season career.



## TAMARA BOLT | 16

Forward ([Pronunciation](#))

<b>Status</b>	Active
<b>Hometown</b>	Salvador, Bahia, Brazil
<b>Date of Birth</b>	05/12/2003
<b>Height</b>	5' 9"
<b>Pronouns</b>	She/Her
<b>Previous Club</b>	SC Internacional

### PROFESSIONAL

**2025 (Dallas Trinity FC):** Spent the second half of the 2024-25 USL Super League season and first half of the 2025-26 season on loan from the Spirit with Dallas. Appeared in 27 matches, tallying one goal. Named to April 2025 USL Super League Team of the Month.

**2021-24 (Internacional):** Turned pro at just 18 years old. Appeared in more than 85 total matches for the side, providing over 20 goal contributions.

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### ACCOLADES

2x Campeonato Gaucho de Futebol Femenino Champion (2021, 2023)

Brasil Ladies Cup Champion (2023)

USL Super League Team of the Month (April 2025)

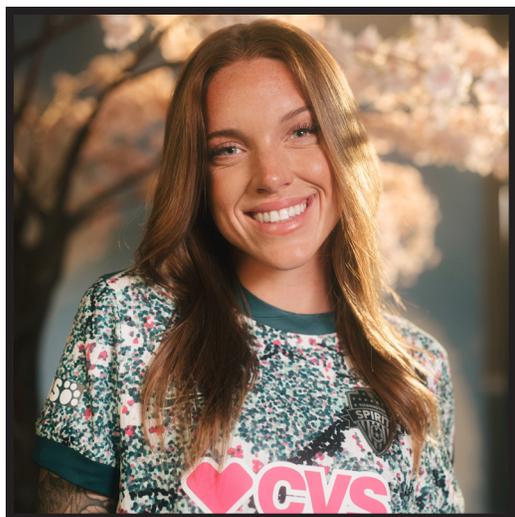
### DID YOU KNOW?

Tamara got the nickname "Bolt" for her speed. Her legal surname is Paranagua.

Bolt's favorite tv show is Prison Break.

Bolt spent most of the 2025 NWSL season on loan with Dallas Trinity FC alongside Deborah Abiodun.

At just 18 years old, Bolt turned pro with Brazil's SC Internacional.



## HAL HERSHFELT | 17

Midfielder ([Pronunciation](#))

<b>Status</b>	Active
<b>Hometown</b>	Hattiesburg, Miss.
<b>Date of Birth</b>	10/03/2001
<b>Height</b>	5' 8"
<b>Pronouns</b>	She/Her
<b>College</b>	Clemson

### PROFESSIONAL

**2025:** Appeared in 24 total matches, totaling 1,812 minutes of action. Missed two months early in the season due to injury but returned in mid-May and led the team on a 16-match unbeaten streak to clinch the second overall seed and home-field advantage in the playoffs. Tallied two assists: one in the Spirit's away win against Bay FC at Oracle Park and the other on Trinity Rodman's highlight goal on the road against North Carolina.

**2024:** Appeared in 25 regular season matches, only missing one due to yellow card accumulation. Scored two goals in the regular season. Established herself as a regular starter in the season opener in Seattle. Scored the equalizer in the second half of the home opener against Bay FC, her first professional goal. Tallied another equalizer during the April 12 match in Houston. Started all three playoff matches and played all 330 minutes. Scored the stoppage time equalizer in the semifinal against Gotham FC off a free kick service from former college teammate Makenna Morris.

### INTERNATIONAL

**2024:** Appeared in three matches for the U.S. Women's National Team. Earned her first-ever international call-up ahead of the side's May/June camp. Called up to Olympic squad as an alternate, training with the team in France throughout the tournament. Made her debut appearance for team in the October 24 friendly against Iceland, subbing on for Sam Coffey. Made her first start in the October 30 friendly against Argentina, playing the full 90 minutes. Subbed on during the side's final match of 2024, a December 3 friendly against Netherlands.

More career info available [HERE](#)

### ACCOLADES

NWSL Challenge Cup Champion (2025)

NWSL Second XI (2024)

Olympic Alternate for Gold Medal-Winning U.S. (Paris 2024)

First Team All-ACC (2023)

NCAA All-Tournament Team (2023)

2x Second Team All-ACC (2021, 2022)

Third Team All-ACC (2020)

ACC All-Freshman Team (2019)

### BY THE NUMBERS

5

With three goals and two assists from the midfield, Hershfelt has tallied five total goal contributions in her career.

11

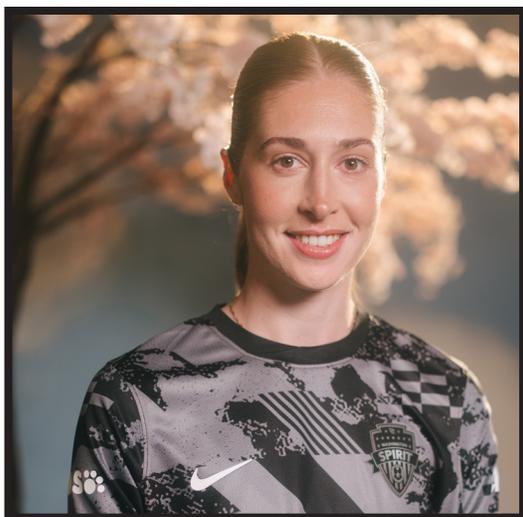
Eleven of Hershfelt's 18 regular season appearances in 2025 were full-90 outings.

5

Hershfelt appeared in two friendlies with the USWNT in January 2026, bringing her career total to five.

4,221

Through just two seasons as a pro, Hershfelt has already tallied 4,221 minutes of action.



## SANDY MACIVER | 18

Goalkeeper ([Pronunciation](#))

<b>Status</b>	Active
<b>Hometown</b>	Winsford, England
<b>Date of Birth</b>	06/18/1998
<b>Height</b>	5' 9"
<b>Pronouns</b>	She/Her
<b>College</b>	Clemson
<b>Previous Club</b>	Manchester City

### PROFESSIONAL

**2025:** Appeared in six total matches for the Spirit, including all four of the team's 2025-26 Concacaf W Champions Cup group stage matches, collecting clean sheets in all four. Made her NWSL regular season debut on May 2 at home against Audi Field. Played the second half of the Spirit's final regular season match against Utah on November 2.

**2022-25 (Manchester City):** In two and a half seasons with Manchester City, the Winsford, England native appeared in three matches and collected one clean sheet.

**2020-22 (Everton):** MacIver made her professional debut with Everton in early 2020 and made 39 appearances for the side, tallying nine clean sheets in the process.

### INTERNATIONAL

**2025:** Appeared in one match for Scotland, a 1-1 draw with Ukraine in late November.

At the senior international level, MacIver competes for the Scotland women's national team and has made seven appearances for the side with three clean sheets. MacIver spent her youth career with various England youth national teams and made one appearance for the England senior team before making the move to Scotland.

More career info available [HERE](#)

### ACCOLADES

NWSL Challenge Cup Champion (2025)

Arnold Clark Cup Champion (2023)

FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup Golden Glove (2018)

### BY THE NUMBERS

2

MacIver was teammates with two current Spirit players prior to her arrival in DC: Hal Hershfelt at Clemson and Esme Morgan at Manchester City.

6

Primarily serving in the backup role to Aubrey Kingsbury, MacIver appeared in six total matches in 2025.

4

MacIver collected a clean sheet in all four Concacaf W Champions Cup group stage matches she played in 2025.

495

Across her six matches in 2025, MacIver totaled 495 minutes of action.



## ROSEMONDE KOUASSI | 19

Forward ([Pronunciation](#))

<b>Status</b>	Active
<b>Hometown</b>	Toumodi, Côte d'Ivoire
<b>Date of Birth</b>	12/26/2001
<b>Height</b>	5' 2"
<b>Pronouns</b>	She/Her
<b>Previous Club</b>	FC Fleury 91

### PROFESSIONAL

**2025:** Appeared in 23 total matches, tallying eight goals and seven assists across all competitions. Was the team's leader in assists in the regular season and leading scorer in W Champions Cup group play. Scored two result-changing goals in stoppage time during the regular season, both from outside the box: an equalizer against Louisville at home and a match-winner against San Diego at home. Named to Concacaf's W Champions Cup Best XI for group stage play. Assisted both of Gift Monday's playoff goals, including her match-winner in the semifinals.

**2024:** Joined the Spirit midseason after finishing the 2023-24 French Première Ligue season with FC Fleury 91. Appeared in eight regular season matches, starting seven. Tallied two assists, both to Makenna Morris on game-winning goals. Assisted Morris' late game-winner in the September 27 match at Angel City FC. Assisted Morris' first half stoppage time goal in the October 13 home match against Louisville. Appeared in the semifinal and championship matches of the playoffs, starting both.

**2024 (Fleury 91):** Appeared in 19 matches (14 starts), playing a total of 1,497 minutes. Scored five goals and added three assists.

**2023 (Fleury 91):** Had a career-best season, appearing in 20 matches (17 starts), playing a total of 1,520 minutes. Tallied single-season highs of 10 goals and five assists.

**2022 (Fleury 91)**

Appeared in 14 matches (eight starts), playing a total of 834 minutes. Scored six goals and added four assists.

### INTERNATIONAL

Kouassi earned her first call-up to the Ivory Coast senior team for Olympic qualifying prior to the Tokyo Games in 2020.

More career info available [HERE](#)

### ACCOLADES

NWSL Challenge Cup Champion (2025)

Concacaf W Champions Cup Group Stage Best XI (2025-26)

Division 1 Feminine Best Young Player (2021-22)

2x Division 1 Feminine Team of the Season (2021-22, 2022-23)

### BY THE NUMBERS

2

In 2025, Kouassi netted two result-changing stoppage time goals, an equalizer at home against Louisville and a winner at home against San Diego.

8

Through one and a half seasons with the Spirit, Kouassi is the team's leader in assists with eight in regular season play.

5

Kouassi tallied five total goal contributions during the 2025-26 Concacaf W Champions Cup group stage with four goals and one assist.

2,257

Kouassi has totaled 2,257 total minutes of action across all competitions for the Spirit.



## DEBORAH ABIODUN | 20

Midfielder ([Pronunciation](#))

<b>Status</b>	Active
<b>Hometown</b>	Oyo, Nigeria
<b>Date of Birth</b>	11/02/2003
<b>Height</b>	5' 6"
<b>Pronouns</b>	She/Her
<b>College</b>	Pittsburgh

### PROFESSIONAL

**2025:** Recalled to the Spirit in late August. Made her NWSL debut on August 31 at home against Chicago. Scored her first goal for the Spirit on September 3 against Vancouver in the W Champions Cup. Named the NWSL Rookie of the Month for her performance in September. Recorded her first assist on October 5 against San Diego, providing the cross for Rosemonde Kouassi's first goal.

**2025 (Dallas Trinity FC):** Spent the second half of the 2024-25 USL Super League season and start of the 2025-26 season on loan with Dallas Trinity FC after signing with the Spirit in January 2025. Appeared in 14 matches for Dallas.

### INTERNATIONAL

**2025:** Helped Nigeria win the 2025 Women's Africa Cup of Nations in Morocco, the nation's tenth such title.

**2024:** Called up to Nigeria for 2024 Olympic Games in Paris, starting all three matches for the Super Falcons.

**2023:** Competed for Nigeria at the 2023 FIFA Women's World Cup. Made her tournament debut against Canada on July 21.

**2022:** Made her debut for the Nigeria women's senior team in September 2022 against the United States.

More career info available [HERE](#)

### ACCOLADES

Women's Africa Cup of Nations Champion (2025)

NWSL Rookie of the Month (September 2025)

Olympian (Paris 2024)

All-ACC Third Team (2023)

ACC All-Freshman Team (2023)

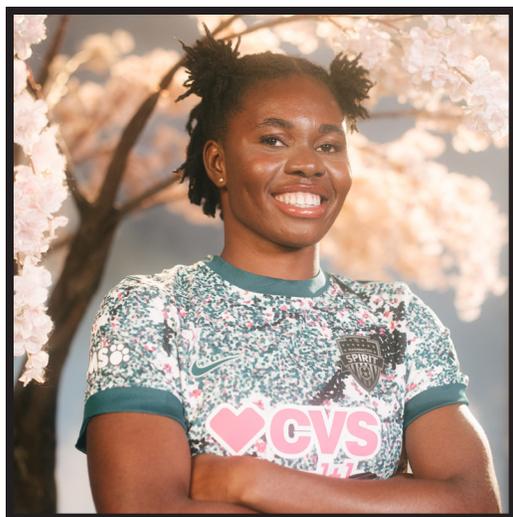
### DID YOU KNOW?

Abiodun made her senior team debut for Nigeria in the United States in September 2022.

Abiodun scored her first Spirit goal just a week after being recalled by the Spirit in early September.

In her first month with the Spirit last fall, Abiodun was named the NWSL Rookie of the Month.

Much like Sofia Cantore, Abiodun enjoys DJing in her free time.



## GIFT MONDAY | 21

Forward ([Pronunciation](#))

<b>Status</b>	Active
<b>Hometown</b>	Akwa Ibom, Nigeria
<b>Date of Birth</b>	12/09/2001
<b>Height</b>	5' 6"
<b>Pronouns</b>	She/Her
<b>Previous Club</b>	UD Tenerife

### PROFESSIONAL

**2025:** Appeared in 28 total matches, tallying 11 goals and two assists across all competitions. Scored her first goal on April 19 in Orlando, a game-winner when she stole the ball from Pride goalkeeper Anna Moorhouse and found the back of the net. Scored another game-winner on May 10 in Chicago. Scored the fastest hat trick from kickoff in NWSL history on September 28, netting three goals in the first 36 minutes en route to a 4-0 home win over Houston. Tallied two goals in the playoffs including the game-winner in the semifinal against Portland to send the Spirit back to the NWSL Championship.

**2022-25 (UD Tenerife):** Appeared in over 65 matches with the side, tallied 26 goal contributions across nearly 4,500 minutes of action.

**2021-22 (Bayelsa Queens):** Helped her side win the 2021-22 NWFL Premiership title. Named the league's Player of the Season.

**2016-21:** Competed for COD United Amazons and FC Robo of the NWFL Premiership based in Lagos.

### INTERNATIONAL

**2024:** Named an alternate for Nigeria at the 2024 Olympic Games in Paris.

**2023:** Named to Nigeria's final roster for the 2023 FIFA Women's World Cup.

**2021:** Helped Nigeria win the 2021 Turkish Women's Cup, scoring a goal in the win over Equatorial Guinea.

More career info available [HERE](#)

### ACCOLADES

Fastest Hat Trick in NWSL History (36 minutes, September 28, 2025)

Liga F Player of the Month (February 2025)

NWFL Premiership Champion (2021-22)

NWFL Premiership Player of the Season (2022)

Turkish Women's Cup (2021)

### BY THE NUMBERS

**11** In her first year with the Spirit in 2025, Monday scored 11 goals, including one in each of the team's two home playoff matches.

**36**

Monday broke the NWSL record for fastest hat trick from kickoff, tallying three goals in under 36 minutes in a home win over Houston.

**13** Monday has contributed to 13 total goals with the Spirit so far, adding two assists to her 11 goals.

**1,740**

Across 28 matches, Monday totaled 1,740 minutes of action in 2025.



## HEATHER STAINBROOK | 22

Midfielder ([Pronunciation](#))

<b>Status</b>	ON LOAN
<b>Hometown</b>	Sandy, Utah
<b>Date of Birth</b>	03/14/2001
<b>Height</b>	5' 4"
<b>Pronouns</b>	She/Her
<b>College</b>	Utah Valley

### PROFESSIONAL

**2025:** Appeared in 15 total matches, making nine starts. Scored her second career goal with the Spirit in a Concacaf W Champions Cup group stage match against Vancouver on September 3. Named to Best XI for CWCC group stage.

**2024:** Appeared in 11 regular season matches, starting four after going undrafted out of Utah Valley University. Made her professional debut late in the May 1 match at Chicago. Scored the game-winner in the final regular season home match against Chicago, her first career goal. Her goal ensured that all six members of the Spirit's rookie class scored in 2024. Appeared and started in the quarterfinal and semifinal matches during the playoffs.

### UTAH VALLEY

A stalwart in the midfield at Utah Valley during her five-year career (2019-23). Finished career with 102 appearances, starting all but one match, and Utah Valley's all-time career goal scorer (40) and points getter (105). Played a full 90 in UVU's first-ever NCAA Tournament victory in any sport in 2020. Led the program to its first-ever WAC regular season championship in 2020 and followed up with two more in 2022 and 2023. Recognized on the All-WAC Freshman Team (2019) and finished career with three consecutive First Team All-WAC honors (2021-2023).

More career info available [HERE](#)

### ACCOLADES

NWSL Challenge Cup Champion (2025)

Concacaf W Champions Cup Group Stage Best XI (2025-26)

3x WAC Champion (2020, 2022, 2023)

WAC Offensive Player of the Year (2022)

3x First Team All-WAC (2021, 2022, 2023)

WAC All-Freshman Team (2019)

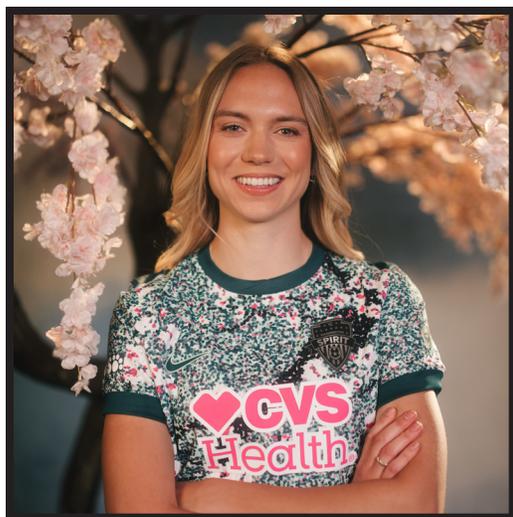
### DID YOU KNOW?

Stainbrook was signed by the Spirit in 2024 after going undrafted.

As a rookie, Stainbrook was a key part of the Spirit's "all-rookie midfield" late in the regular season.

A decorated college player, Stainbrook earned First Team all-conference honors each of her final three seasons at Utah Valley.

Stainbrook led Utah Valley to three conference title during her tenure.



## ESME MORGAN | 24

Defender ([Pronunciation](#))

<b>Status</b>	Active
<b>Hometown</b>	Sheffield, England
<b>Date of Birth</b>	10/18/2000
<b>Height</b>	5' 10"
<b>Pronouns</b>	She/Her
<b>Previous Club</b>	Manchester City

### PROFESSIONAL

**2025:** Appeared in 31 total matches, providing two goals and two assists. Scored her first two NWSL goals on May 2 at home against Angel City. Helped the Spirit defending third to 11 clean sheets across all competitions.

**2024:** Joined the Spirit midseason after finishing the 2023-24 Women's Super League season with Manchester City. Appeared in six regular season matches. Made her NWSL debut on September 15 against Houston with a full 90-minute outing. Started all three playoff matches, playing 315 out of 330 possible minutes.

**2017-24 (Manchester City, Everton):** Morgan began her professional career with Manchester City and made her debut with the senior team in September 2017 at just 16 years old. Apart from a loan to Everton for the 2019-20 season, she has spent her entire career with Manchester City. In the seven English Women's Super League seasons from her debut until her transfer to the Spirit, Morgan appeared in 64 matches, tallying nearly 5,000 minutes of playing time in the process.

### INTERNATIONAL

**2025:** Helped the Lionesses capture the 2025 Euro title, playing a key role in the knockout matches and starting the semifinal against Italy. Played two full-90s during the October international window, contributing to a clean sheet against Australia.

**2024:** This

**2023:** Named to England's 2023 FIFA Women's World Cup roster, helping the side to a runner-up finish in Australia.

**2022:** Made her debut for the senior team in November 2022.

**2020:** Earned her first senior team call-up to the Lionesses after several years with various youth national teams.

More career info available [HERE](#)

### ACCOLADES

NWSL Challenge Cup Champion (2025)

UEFA European Champion (2025)

Women's Finalissima (2023)

Women's League Cup (2021-22)

FA Women's Cup (2019-20)

### BY THE NUMBERS

2

Morgan scored her first two goals for the Spirit with a brace on May 2, 2025 against Angel City, including a stoppage time equalizer.

39

Morgan has appeared in 39 total matches for the Spirit since joining the side in the summer of 2024.

14

Morgan has played in 14 shutouts for the Spirit across all competitions since joining the side.

3,260

Across her 39 appearances, Morgan has totaled 3,260 minutes of playing time with Washington.



## PAIGE METAYER | 26

Defender ([Pronunciation](#))

<b>Status</b>	Active
<b>Hometown</b>	Irvine, Calif.
<b>Date of Birth</b>	09/23/2000
<b>Height</b>	5' 10"
<b>Pronouns</b>	She/Her
<b>College</b>	California

### PROFESSIONAL

**2025:** Appeared in 15 total matches, providing an assist from the back line in W Champions Cup group play. Missed the first half of the season with a knee injury, returned to action in August, helping the team to six clean sheets and a return trip to the NWSL Championship. Appeared in all three playoff matches.

**2024:** Appeared in 20 regular season matches, making 11 starts and seeing 1,037 minutes of playing time. Played as a forward and midfielder before finding a new role on the back line. Scored her fourth career regular season goal (and first with her feet) early in the August 25 home match against Kansas City with a box-to-box run and finish in the bottom corner of the net. Assisted Trinity Rodman's highlight goal later in the same match. Appeared in all three playoff matches, totaling 175 minutes of action.

**2023:** Started in all 21 matches in which she appeared, playing a total of 1,847 minutes. Scored three goals – all headers off corners – and added one assist. Ranked first in the NWSL in goals off corners and second in headed goals. Named the NWSL's Rookie of the Month for June.

### UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

reliable midfielder for the University of California Golden Bears during her four-year career (2018-2021). Started in all available games for three consecutive years (2019-21). Named to CoSida Academic All-District Second Team in 2020 and 2021. Earned Pac-12 Academic Honor Roll honors in three consecutive years (2019-21). Led Golden Bears freshmen with two goals in 2018.

More career info available [HERE](#)

### ACCOLADES

NWSL Challenge Cup Champion (2025)

NWSL Rookie of the Month (June 2023)

### DID YOU KNOW?

Metayer was signed by the Spirit in 2023 after going undrafted but quickly proved herself as a regular starter her rookie campaign.

One of the most versatile players on the Spirit roster, Metayer has played at all three levels of the field throughout her tenure.

Tallying three goals all from headers during her rookie season, Metayer earned the nickname Paige "In The Air" within the team.

Metayer has provided eight goal contributions with the Spirit, five goals and three assists.



## SOFIA CANTORE | 27

Forward ([Pronunciation](#))

<b>Status</b>	Active
<b>Hometown</b>	Lecco, Lombardy, Italy
<b>Date of Birth</b>	09/30/1999
<b>Height</b>	5' 6"
<b>Pronouns</b>	She/Her
<b>Previous Club</b>	Juventus FC

### PROFESSIONAL

**2025:** Transferred to the Spirit following the 2024-25 Serie A season. Appeared in 18 total matches, tallying five goals and one assist across all competitions for the Spirit. Scored several highlight goals at Audi Field including her first Spirit goal on August 15 from well outside the box to give the home side a 1-0 lead.

**2017-25 (Juventus):** Scored four goals in her first season at Juventus, helping the side win Serie A. Missed much of the following season with an injury. Spent several years away on loan with Hellas Verona, Fiorentina and Sassuolo before returning in 2022. Cantore tallied over 40 goals and 20 assists in total across over 120 appearances with Juventus. She also tallied two goals during Juventus' 2024-25 UEFA Women's Champions League campaign and was named the Serie A Best Forward in her last season at the club.

**2015-17 (Fiammamonza):** Turned pro at 15 years old, joining Fiammamonza. Helped the side earn promotion to Serie B in her second season with the club.

### INTERNATIONAL

**2025:** Played a crucial role in Italy's semifinal run at the Euro tournament, the side's first top four finish at the vent in 28 years.

**2023:** Scored her first goal for the Italy senior team in February against England.

**2020:** Made her senior debut for Italy in December against Denmark at 21 years old.

More career info available [HERE](#)

### ACCOLADES

2x Serie A Champion (2017-18, 2018-19)

Coppa Italia Champion (2018-19)

Ballon d'Or Finalist (2025)

Serie A Best Forward (2024-25)

2x Serie A Team of the Year (2021-22, 2024-25)

2x NWSL Goal of the Week Winner (Week 22, Week 25 2025)

### DID YOU KNOW?

Cantore became the NWSL's first-ever Italian player when she transferred to the Spirit in the summer of 2025.

In last summer's Euro tournament, Cantore provided two assists in leading Italy to its first Euro semifinal in 28 years.

Much like Deborah Abiodun, Cantore enjoys DJing in her free time.

Cantore scored two highlight spinning backheel goals at Audi Field in 2025, winning NWSL Goal of the Week for both.



## SARA WOJDELKO | 28

Goalkeeper ([Pronunciation](#))

<b>Status</b>	ON LOAN
<b>Hometown</b>	Northville, Mich.
<b>Date of Birth</b>	05/14/2003
<b>Height</b>	5' 9"
<b>Pronouns</b>	She/Her
<b>College</b>	Vanderbilt

### PROFESSIONAL

Signed with the Spirit in January 2026 to begin her professional career. Will compete with DC Power FC of the USL Super League on loan through May 2026.

### VANDERBILT

Wojdelko put together a stellar career at Vanderbilt. For her performance during her senior season in 2025, she was named the SEC Goalkeeper of the Year and earned Second Team All-American and First Team All-SEC honors. In her four seasons, the goalkeeper tallied 147 saves across over 4,500 minutes of action to maintain a goals against average (GAA) of less than 0.72. In her final two seasons, Wojdelko led Vanderbilt to the program's two best NCAA Tournament finishes in school history, advancing to the round of 16 in 2024 before leading her side to its first-ever quarterfinal appearance in 2025.

More career info available [HERE](#)

### ACCOLADES

SEC Goalkeeper of the Year (2025)

First Team All-SEC (2025)

Second Team All-American (2025)

### DID YOU KNOW?

Wojdelko maintained a goals against average (GAA) of 0.72 across four seasons at Vanderbilt.

Wojdelko had a pet axolotl named Roxie throughout college.

In her last two years with the Commodores, Wojdelko took her team to its two best finishes in program history (round of 16 and then quarterfinals).

Wojdelko goes by the nickname "Wojo".



## EMMA GAINES-RAMOS | 29

Forward ([Pronunciation](#))

<b>Status</b>	Active
<b>Hometown</b>	San Diego, Calif.
<b>Date of Birth</b>	03/18/2002
<b>Height</b>	5' 7"
<b>Pronouns</b>	She/Her
<b>College</b>	San Diego State

### PROFESSIONAL

**2025:** Signed with the Spirit in January 2025 to begin her professional career. After recovering from a knee injury, spent the first half of the 2025-26 USL Super League season with Tampa Bay Sun FC. Appeared in 11 matches for Sun FC before being recalled to the Spirit.

### SAN DIEGO STATE

Across 91 appearances with the Aztecs, Gaines-Ramos tallied 19 goals and 25 assists, earning all-conference honors four times. She was named to the All-Mountain West First Team in 2020 and 2022 before being named to the Second Team in 2023 and 2024.

More career info available [HERE](#)

### ACCOLADES

Mountain West Conference Champion (2023)

2x First Team All-Mountain West (2020, 2022)

2x Second Team All-Mountain West (2023, 2024)

### DID YOU KNOW?

Gaines-Ramos is the first person in her family to play soccer past the high school level.

At San Diego State, Gaines-Ramos earned a marketing degree in business development.

Gaines-Ramos' first jobs when she was younger were at McDonald's and a hot dog stand.

Off the pitch, Gaines-Ramos enjoys thrifting and sourcing apparel for new fashion pieces.



## KAYLIE COLLINS | 31

Goalkeeper ([Pronunciation](#))

<b>Status</b>	Active
<b>Hometown</b>	Clayton, Calif.
<b>Date of Birth</b>	05/17/1998
<b>Height</b>	5' 10"
<b>Pronouns</b>	She/Her
<b>College</b>	USC
<b>Previous Club</b>	Seattle Reign FC

### PROFESSIONAL

**2025:** Re-signed with the Spirit prior to the 2025 season. Did not appear in a match during the season.

**2024:** Signed with Seattle Reign FC as a short-term replacement player; joined the Spirit as a training player in June 2024 before signing a NTR contract in July.

**2023 (Orlando Pride):** Appeared in one regular season match, making three saves; appeared in one Challenge Cup match; loaned to Australia's Western Sydney Wanderers for the 2023-24 A-League Women season.

**2022 (Orlando Pride):** Appeared in one Challenge Cup match, making six saves; did not appear in the regular season.

**2021 (Orlando Pride):** Drafted by the Orlando Pride with the 34th overall pick.

### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

A standout goalkeeper at USC (2016-21), Collins appeared in 66 matches for the Trojans. She tallied 27 shutouts and 210 saves on the way to a stellar 0.83 goals against average in her college career. Collins was named the Pac-12 Goalkeeper of the Year in 2018 and was twice named to All-Pac-12 teams.

More career info available [HERE](#)

### ACCOLADES

NWSL Challenge Cup Champion (2025)

NCAA Division I Champion (2016)

Pac-12 Goalkeeper of the Year (2018)

### DID YOU KNOW?

Collins competed for United States U-14 and U-15 teams at the international level.

With 27 clean sheets through her college career at USC, Collins averaged two shutouts per five matches.

Averaging under one goal against per match, Collins maintained a GAA of 0.83 at USC.

Collins enjoys playing the guitar in her free time.



## ASHLEY HATCH | 33

Forward ([Pronunciation](#))

<b>Status</b>	Active
<b>Hometown</b>	Gilbert, Ariz.
<b>Date of Birth</b>	05/25/1995
<b>Height</b>	5' 9"
<b>Pronouns</b>	She/Her
<b>College</b>	BYU
<b>Previous Club</b>	North Carolina Courage

### PROFESSIONAL

**2025:** Appeared in 11 total matches, scoring six goals and providing one assist before missing the second half of the season while on maternity leave. Named the NWSL Player of the Week in late March following her two-goal performance against Bay FC.

**2024:** Appeared in 24 regular season matches, making 16 starts and totaling 1,407 minutes of playing time. Scored seven goals, surpassing 50 in her regular season career. Scored her 52nd career goal in the October 13 home match against Louisville, passing Megan Rapinoe for sixth-most career goals in league history. Also made her 150th regular season appearance on October 13. Netted a brace in the September 15 home match against Houston. Scored the game-winning goal in the regular season finale against North Carolina, clinching the No. 2 seed and home-field advantage in the playoffs for the Spirit. Started all three playoff matches for the team.

**2023:** Started all 22 matches, playing a total of 1,838 minutes. Led the team – finishing third in the NWSL – with nine goals. Scored five penalty kicks on five attempts, extending her perfect seven-for-seven mark from the spot and setting a Spirit record. Became the first player in NWSL history with four penalty kicks on the road in one season. Became the second player (all competitions) to record a brace and assist in the same game.

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### INTERNATIONAL

**2025:** Appeared in April friendly against Brazil, upping her senior cap tally to 23.

**2023:** Appeared in seven matches (one start), playing a total of 232 minutes. Scored one goal. Increased her career USWNT cap count to 21.

**2022:** Appeared in ten matches (two starts), playing a total of 309 minutes. Scored two goals and added one assist.

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More career info available [HERE](#)

### ACCOLADES

NWSL Champion (2021)

NWSL Challenge Cup Champion (2025)

NWSL Shield (2017)

NWSL Golden Boot (2021)

NWSL Rookie of the Year (2017)

All-time leading scorer in Spirit history  
(62 goals)

Concacaf Women's Championship (2022)

### BY THE NUMBERS

4

With her next regular season goal, Hatch will tie soccer legend Alex Morgan for 4th-most goals in league history at 60.

69

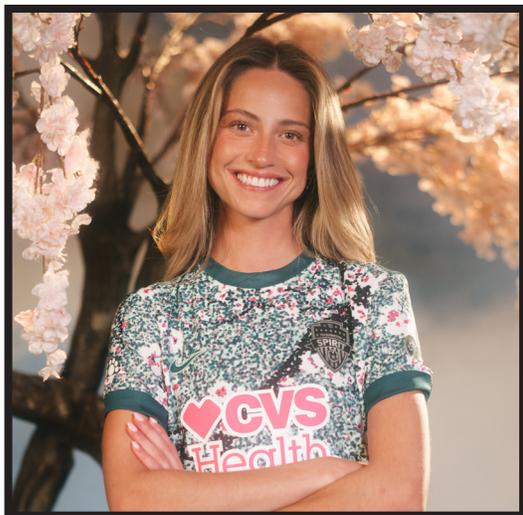
Hatch has tallied 69 goals across all NWSL competitions in her pro career.

12

Hatch has provided 12 assists across all NWSL competitions.

197

Hatch has appeared in 197 total NWSL matches since turning pro in 2017.



## MOLLY SKURCENSKI | 34

Midfielder ([Pronunciation](#))

<b>Status</b>	Active
<b>Hometown</b>	Centennial, Colo.
<b>Date of Birth</b>	02/20/2004
<b>Height</b>	5' 9"
<b>Pronouns</b>	She/Her
<b>College</b>	Texas Tech

### PROFESSIONAL

Signed with the Spirit in January 2026 for her first professional contract.

### TEXAS TECH

Skurcenski spent her entire college career at Texas Tech. Across 84 appearances for the Red Raiders, she played over 6,000 minutes and collected two goals and 11 assists. Skurcenski capped off her collegiate career with a Second Team All-Big XII selection in 2025.

More career info available [HERE](#)

### ACCOLADES

Second Team All-Big XII (2025)

College Sports Communicators Academic All-District (2023)

### DID YOU KNOW?

Skurcenski played at both defender and midfielder during her time at Texas Tech.

In her free time, Skurcenski enjoys sewing, cooking and reading.

Skurcenski was an all-state track athlete in high school.

Also a Big XII athlete (formerly Big Eight), Skurcenski's dad played basketball at Oklahoma.



## MADISON HAUGEN | 35

Defender ([Pronunciation](#))

<b>Status</b>	Active
<b>Hometown</b>	Cumming, Ga.
<b>Date of Birth</b>	11/30/2001
<b>Height</b>	5' 6"
<b>Pronouns</b>	She/Her
<b>College</b>	2020-23: Georgia 2024: Texas
<b>Previous Club</b>	Sporting CP

### PROFESSIONAL

**2025 (Sporting CP):** Appeared in 21 matches during her lone season in Portugal, scoring five goals.

### COLLEGE

**2024 (Texas):** Started all 26 matches she appeared in, provided six assists.

**2020-23 (Georgia):** Appeared in 78 matches across four seasons in Athens, collected eight goals and 15 assists from the back line. Helped the Bulldogs win the 2023 SEC Championship.

More career info available [HERE](#)

### ACCOLADES

SEC Championship (2023)

3x SEC Academic Honor Roll (2020, 2021, 2022)

United Soccer Coaches All-Southeast Region Second Team (2022)

2x College Sports Communicators Academic All-District (2022, 2023)

### DID YOU KNOW?

Haugen was ranked the #55 player in the nation by Top Drawer Soccer in 2024.

Haugen majored in sports management in college.

Her first three years at Georgia, Haugen was a Presidential Scholar.

Haugen was Georgia's Student Athlete Advisory Committee representative each of her final two seasons at Georgia.

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