

GOTHAM FC 2025
MEDIA GUIDE



2025 SCHEDULE



DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	VENUE	TIME (ET)	WATCH
SAT	March 15	Seattle Reign FC	Lumen Field	10PM	ION
SUN	March 23	Orlando Pride	Sports Illustrated Stadium	5PM	ESPN 2
FRI	March 28	Houston Dash	Shell Energy Stadium	8PM	NWSL
SUN	April 13	NC Courage	Sports Illustrated Stadium	4PM	NWSL
FRI	April 18	Angel City FC	BMO Stadium	10:30PM	MSG/NWSL
TUES	April 22	Portland Thorns	Providence Park	10:30PM	MSG/CBSSN
SAT	April 26	Washington Spirit	Audi Field	1PM	CBS
SUN	May 4	Chicago Stars FC	Sports Illustrated Stadium	1PM	CBS
FRI	May 9	Racing Louisville FC	Lynn Family Stadium	8PM	PRIME
FRI	May 16	San Diego Wave FC	Sports Illustrated Stadium	7:30PM	MSG/NWSL
SAT	June 7	Kansas City Current	Sports Illustrated Stadium	1PM	CBS
FRI	June 13	Utah Royals FC	America First Field	9:30PM	MSG/NWSL
SAT	June 21	Bay FC	Sports Illustrated Stadium	7:30PM	ION
FRI	August 1	Chicago Stars FC	SeatGeek Stadium	8PM	PRIME
SAT	August 9	Washington Spirit	Sports Illustrated Stadium	12PM	ESPN
SUN	August 17	Houston Dash	Sports Illustrated Stadium	4PM	MSG/NWSL
SAT	August 23	Utah Royals FC	Sports Illustrated Stadium	7:30PM	ION
FRI	August 29	Orlando Pride	Inter&Co Stadium	8PM	PRIME
SUN	September 7	Angel City FC	Sports Illustrated Stadium	5PM	ESPN
FRI	September 12	San Diego Wave FC	Snapdragon Stadium	10PM	PRIME
SUN	September 21	Bay FC	PayPal Park	8:30PM	ESPN2
FRI	September 26	Portland Thorns	Sports Illustrated Stadium	8PM	MSG/NWSL
SUN	October 5	Seattle Reign FC	Sports Illustrated Stadium	4PM	MSG/NWSL
SAT	October 11	Kansas City Current	CPKC Stadium	5PM	ION
SUN	October 19	Racing Louisville FC	Sports Illustrated Stadium	3PM	MSG/NWSL
SUN	November 2	NC Courage	First Horizon Stadium	TBA	TBA

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ABOUT

Representing New Jersey and New York, Gotham FC plays its home matches at Sports Illustrated Stadium in Harrison, New Jersey.

Founded in 2007, Gotham FC originally debuted as Jersey Sky Blue and played in the United Soccer League's W-League. Later that year, it was selected to represent the New Jersey/New York metropolitan area in the newly founded Women's Professional Soccer (WPS) League, which began operations in 2009. The club rebranded as Sky Blue FC and won its first trophy in the inaugural WPS championship in 2009.

Sky Blue FC was one of eight teams to join the National Women's Soccer League (NWSL) in 2012 following the disbanding of the WPS. In April 2021, the club underwent a major rebrand and officially changed its name to NJ/NY Gotham FC. The name, logo and colors were selected after extensive fan involvement and will guide the club into the future with bold international ambitions.

In 2023, Gotham FC won the first NWSL championship in club history, defeating Seattle's OL Reign, 2-1, in the final and completing the best season-to-season turnaround in NWSL history, going from last place to league champion.

Building on the momentum of its 2023 championship, Gotham FC had a record-breaking 2024 campaign, achieving the best regular-season finish in club history. The team set a franchise record with 56 points, the most earned by the club in an NWSL season, and tied for the league's best defensive record.

2025 CREST & COLORS



GOTHAM FC

OUTLINE CREST

The crest contains several elements that celebrate the club's growth and past. It prominently features the Statue of Liberty's iconic crown. A national monument, the Lady in the Harbor was voted the most recognizable symbol of New Jersey and New York by fans. Her crown represents Gotham FC's ambitions to be a global power and provides a welcoming symbol for the team's diverse fanbase.

The crest center proudly displays three letters in sky blue coloring – an "N" and a hybrid "J/Y", which acknowledges New Jersey as the club's birthplace while embracing the club's growing New York reach.

WORDMARK

The official colors of the club are Sky Blue, Gotham Black and Cloud White. The colors represent the team's history and prior identity, the club's new identity and the longstanding foundation of the club's supporters group, Cloud 9.

2025 CREST & COLORS



PRIMARY



BLACK AND WHITE



INVERTED

SKY BLUE

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RGB: 169/241/245

CMYK: 29/0/8/0

PMS: 304C

GOTHAM BLACK

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RGB: 255/255/255

CMYK: 100/100/100/100

PMS: BLACK

CLOUD WHITE

#FFFFFF

RGB: 0/0/0

CMYK: 0/0/0/0

PMS: WHITE

TEAM STAFF



Technical

Head Coach

Juan Carlos Amorós

Assistant Coach

Jen Lalor

Assistant Coach

Shaun Harris

Assistant Coach

Ak Lakhani

Assistant Coach

Guillermo Amorós

Head Goalkeeper Coach

Brody Sams

Assistant Goalkeeper Coach

Michelle Betos

Head of Analysis

Zoë Mattheson

Performance Analyst and Scout

Juan Coste Delvecchio

Medical & Performance

Director of Player Health & Performance

Scott Epsley

Strength & Conditioning and Return to Play Coach

Eric Gorman

Performance Therapist

Megan Poll

Athletic Trainer

Lindsey Honkomp

Athletic Trainer

Charlie Calamari

Physical Therapist

Haley Leo

Sports Scientist

Erin Cagle

Performance Nutritionist and Chef

Anthony DiCicco

Mental Performance Coach

Eugene Wentworth

Operations

Director of Team Operations

Ellis Clark

Equipment Coordinator

Vanessa Romero

Home Team Operations Coordinator

Azzaya Johnson

Away Team Operations Coordinator

Gabriela Sanchez

Sporting

General Manager

Yael Averbuch West

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Director of Scouting and Roster Development

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YAEL AVERBUCH WEST

GENERAL MANAGER AND HEAD OF SOCCER OPERATIONS

An accomplished business leader, former member of the U.S. Women's National Team and standout collegiate and professional player, Yael Averbuch West was named interim General Manager and Head of Soccer Operations of Gotham FC on Aug. 3, 2021. She took the permanent position four months later. Under her leadership, Gotham FC won the 2023 NWSL championship and registered the most successful regular season in club history in 2024.

Born in New York and raised in Montclair, N.J., Averbuch developed as a player in youth programs in her home state before reaching the first of her two goals in the game: playing for the University of North Carolina.

In her time at UNC, the Tar Heels won national championships in 2006 and 2008. Averbuch set the school record by starting 105 consecutive games, and she scored the fastest goal to begin a game in women's college soccer history (four seconds, against Yale in 2006). Among several honors during her collegiate career, Averbuch was named ACC Offensive Player of the Year in 2006 and ACC Scholar-Athlete of the Year for women's soccer in 2007, and she was voted First Team All-America three times by the NSCAA coaches. Averbuch received the ultimate honor when North Carolina retired her No. 17 after her senior year.

Averbuch achieved her other childhood dream by earning 26 caps as a member of the U.S. Women's National Team from 2007-13. When she took the helm at Gotham FC in 2021, Averbuch became the first former U.S. Women's National Team player to be named general manager of an NWSL club.

Averbuch was selected by Sky Blue FC with the fourth overall pick in the 2009 WPS Draft and went on to win the league championship that year. She won another WPS title with the Western NY Flash in 2011.

After two years playing in Russia and Sweden – which included competing in the UEFA Women's Champions League in 2012 – Averbuch played in the NWSL for five years between 2014-18. This included an NWSL championship in 2015 during her three seasons with FC Kansas City, and she played one season each with the Washington Spirit and Seattle Reign.

While still playing in the NWSL, Averbuch began her career as an entrepreneur and business leader. In 2016, she launched Techne Futbol – an app providing personal training for soccer players of all ages, experience and skill levels – and remains the owner of the business today. In 2017, she founded the NWSL Players Association and served as the organization's first president and, later, its first executive director.

Now that she has come full circle as GM and Head of Soccer Operations for Gotham FC, Averbuch has returned to Montclair, where she lives with her husband and two children.



JUAN CARLOS AMORÓS

HEAD COACH

Juan Carlos Amorós was named head coach of Gotham FC on Nov. 1, 2022, and has been the most successful coach in the club's history through two seasons.

In 2023, Amorós guided Gotham FC to the 2023 NWSL championship after being the last team to qualify for the postseason, winning the club's first NWSL hardware in defeating league powerhouse OL Reign in the final. A year later, Amorós led Gotham FC to the best regular season finish in club history, reaching the semifinals of the NWSL playoffs.

Amorós came to Gotham FC after an interim stint as the head coach for the Houston Dash, helping the club reach the NWSL playoffs for the first time in its history.

The 40-year-old Amorós brings extensive international coaching experience, having worked in top leagues across Spain, England and the United States. Before his time in Houston, he coached Real Betis Femeninas from 2021-22, guiding the club to a record eight-match unbeaten streak in Spain's top division.

During a nine-year tenure at Tottenham Hotspur FC Women, Amorós led the club from the third tier of English soccer to the FA Women's Super League. In 2019, he was named Manager of the Year along with his co-head coach Karen Hills after guiding Tottenham to promotion with a second-place finish in the FA Women's Championship. They also earned the honor while managing the club in the third-tier FA Women's National League.

Amorós took over as interim head coach of the Houston Dash on July 16, 2022, opening his tenure with a 4-1 win over Chicago. He finished the season with a 6-3-2 record, leading Houston to its first playoff berth in the club's nine-year history.

In 2023, Amorós led Gotham FC to a sixth-place finish in the NWSL regular season, securing a playoff spot after the club had finished last the previous year. The team set multiple club records, including fewest shots allowed (155) and fewest shots on goal allowed (82). Gotham FC earned its first-ever NWSL playoff win by defeating the North Carolina Courage in the quarterfinals, then advanced past the Portland Thorns in the semifinals before defeating Seattle Reign FC to capture its first NWSL title.

The 2024 season saw Amorós and his squad break even more records. Gotham FC set new marks with 17 wins (surpassing the previous high of 10 in 2013 and 2017), 56 points (up from 36 in 2013), just four losses, nine home wins, eight away wins, 23 goals scored at home, 20 goals conceded (the fewest in club history), and six road shutouts. These milestones secured Gotham FC its first-ever home playoff game, where it defeated the Portland Thorns in the quarterfinals.

Amorós holds a UEFA Pro license, the highest-level UEFA coaching certification, and has a diploma in Football Management from the League Managers Association Institute of Leadership and High Performance. He has also completed elite coaching courses with the Royal Spanish Football Federation, the Scottish FA and the English FA and earned an MBA from the Autonomous University of Madrid in 2018.

COACHING STAFF



JEN LALOR

ASSISTANT COACH

Jen Lalor joined Gotham FC in 2023. In addition to her duties as assistant coach, Lalor also plays an integral role for Gotham FC with the club's player development pipeline. Lalor won the bronze medal with the USWNT at the 1995 FIFA Women's World Cup and played professionally in Japan, Denmark and Sweden. She also played in the first women's professional league in the U.S. (Women's United Soccer Association) with the New York Power and San Diego Spirit.

At Santa Clara University, Lalor was the first women's soccer player in school history to earn a full athletic scholarship and was later inducted into the SCU Athletic Hall of Fame.

Lalor has worked extensively at U.S. Soccer in the youth national team system as a coach, scout, technical advisor and club development manager. As a head coach, she has led two teams to national championships: San Diego SeaLions of the WPSL in 2013 and Albion SC San Diego U16 in 2022.



SHAUN HARRIS

ASSISTANT COACH

Shaun Harris has more than 15 years of coaching experience spanning five continents. His international career includes notable achievements such as helping Tottenham Hotspur Women achieve its highest-ever finish in the Women's Super League (WSL). In 12 years at Tottenham, Harris worked as lead technical coach and as a member of the global football development team, delivering coaching education and player development programs to national football associations.

Beyond the pitch, Harris enjoys spending time with his wife and two children and enjoys listening to new music and eating spicy cuisine.



AK LAKHANI

ASSISTANT COACH

Ak Lakhani joined Gotham FC in 2023 from the Jamaican Football Federation, where he was the head of United Kingdom recruitment for the Women's U-17, U-20 and Women's National Team. He was the assistant coach of the Jamaican Women's National Team that advanced to the Round of 16 in the 2023 FIFA Women's World Cup and was assistant coach when the team won the bronze medal at the 2022 Concacaf Women's Championship in Mexico. Lakhani was part of Amorós's coaching staff during his successful tenure at Tottenham Hotspur Women's FC when the club earned back-to-back promotions. He has also worked at Tottenham Hotspur Academy and Leyton Orient Academy, and he was one of 150 coaches in the UK to be awarded a medal from Prince William for "Outstanding Contribution to Football."

COACHING STAFF



GUILLERMO AMORÓS

ASSISTANT COACH

Guillermo Amorós brings nearly two decades of coaching experience to Gotham FC, having begun his career at 18. He holds both the UEFA A License and the Professional Soccer Coach License (equivalent to the UEFA Pro License) from the Royal Spanish Federation.

His coaching career includes positions at several prestigious European academies. He has served at Tottenham Hotspur Women with the U-18 and reserve teams, Madrid CFF with the U-18 and U-21 divisions and Malaga CF with the U-16 team, where he led the squad to two Andalucian state league championships.

Amorós joined Gotham FC in October 2024.

BRODY SAMS

HEAD GOALKEEPER COACH



Now entering his fourth season with Gotham FC as Head Goalkeeper Coach, Brody Sams brings over a decade of experience in elite and professional football across both the women's and men's games. A native of Australia, he has worked with and supported top-level goalkeepers who have gone on to achieve success in professional leagues worldwide as well as on the global stage at the Olympics and FIFA Women's World Cup.

At Gotham FC, Sams plays a key role in building a world-class goalkeeper department, working closely with goalkeepers Ann-Katrin Berger, Shelby Hogan and Ryan Campbell while also contributing to the development of future goalkeeper coaches. Committed to innovation and mentorship, Sams takes pride in creating an environment where both players and staff are empowered to grow and succeed in pursuit of excellence.

MICHELLE BETOS

ASSISTANT GOALKEEPER COACH



Born in Queens, N.Y., Betos played high school soccer at St. Francis Prep before attending the University of Georgia and graduating with a degree in psychology. Betos played professionally from 2010-24, predominantly in the NWSL, including stints in Australia, Norway, Denmark and Cyprus. She won an NWSL Shield with the Portland Thorns in 2016 and the NWSL championship with Gotham FC in 2023. After retiring in 2024, Betos is finishing her courses to become a Certified Mental Performance Coach and working with Gotham FC as Assistant Goalkeeper Coach. She will play a role in culture development and maintenance. Her greatest joy is growth and improvement, and she is ecstatic about the opportunity to help the players in their individual and collective journeys.

2025 ROSTER NUMERICAL



NO.	NAME	POS.	HT.	DOB	HOMETOWN	LAST TEAM
1	Shelby Hogan	GK	5'11"	May 10, 1998	Franklin, MA	Portland Thorns FC
3	Bruninha	D	5'3"	Jun 16, 2002	Castro, Paraná, Brazil	Santos FC
4	Lilly Reale	D	5'9"	Aug 12, 2003	Boston, MA	UCLA
5	Cece Kizer	F	5'8"	Aug 7, 1997	Overland Park, KS	Houston Dash
6	Emily Sonnett	D	5'7"	Nov 25, 1993	Marietta, GA	Seattle Reign FC
7	Jaelin Howell	M	5'7"	Nov 21, 1999	Lone Tree, CO	Seattle Reign FC
8	Taryn Torres	M	5'6"	Apr 23, 1999	Frisco, TX	University of Virginia
9	Esther González	F	5'3"	Dec 8, 1992	Huéscar, Spain	Real Madrid
11	Sarah Schupansky	F	5'5"	Aug 25, 2003	Pittsburgh, PA	University of Pittsburgh
12	Ryan Campbell	GK	5'11"	Mar 18, 2002	Laguna Beach, CA	UCLA
13	Ella Stevens	F	5'8"	Dec 11, 1997	Grayson, GA	Chicago Stars FC
14	Nealy Martin	M	5'7"	Apr 22, 1998	Birmingham, AL	Racing Louisville FC
15	Tierna Davidson	D	5'10"	Sep 19, 1998	Menlo Park, CA	Chicago Stars FC
16	Rose Lavelle	M	5'4"	May 14, 1995	Cincinnati, OH	Seattle Reign FC
17	Mak Whitham	F	5'5"	Jul 27, 2010	Granite Bay, CA	Slammers FC HB Køge (youth)
18	Gabi Portilho	F	5'5"	Jul 18, 1995	Brasília, Brazil	Corinthians
20	Jéssica Silva	F	5'7"	Dec 11, 1994	Vila Nova de Milfontes, Portugal	S.L. Benfica
21	Sofia Cook	M	5'6"	Aug 7, 2004	Huntington Beach, CA	UCLA
22	Mandy Freeman	D	5'5"	Mar 23, 1995	Royal Palm Beach, FL	USC
23	Midge Purce	F	5'4"	Sep 18, 1995	Silver Spring, MD	Portland Thorns FC
27	Jess Carter	D	5'5"	Oct 27, 1997	Warwick, England	Chelsea FC
30	Ann-Katrin Berger	GK	5'11"	Oct 9, 1990	Göppingen, Germany	Chelsea FC
34	Khyah Harper	F	5'5"	Aug 15, 2002	Lino Lakes, MN	University of Minnesota
90	Stella Nyamekye	M	5'3"	Sep 18, 2005	Kumasi, Ghana	Dreamz Ladies FC

Pronunciation Guide: Bruninha (Brew-NEEN-yuh); Lilly Reale (REEL); Cece Kizer (C-C KY-zurr); Emily Sonnett (SAW-knit); Jaelin Howell (HOW-wool); Esther González (ess-STAIR); Sarah Schupansky (shoe-PAN-ski); Tierna Davidson (TIER-nuh); Rose Lavelle (LUH-vell); Mak Whitham (WIT-um); Gabi Portilho (Gabby pour-CHEE-yo); Sofia Cook (So-FEE-uh); Ann-Katrin Berger (Ann-CAT-trin); Khyah Harper (KY-yuh); Stella Nyamekye (nya-METCH-eh)

2025 ROSTER ALPHABETICAL

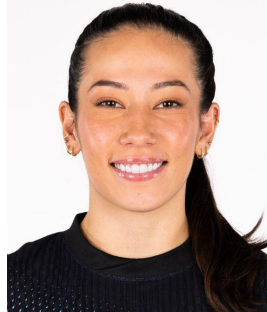


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PHOTO ROSTER



1 - Shelby Hogan



3 - Bruninha



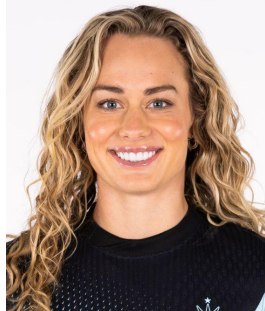
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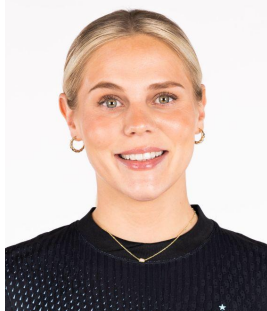
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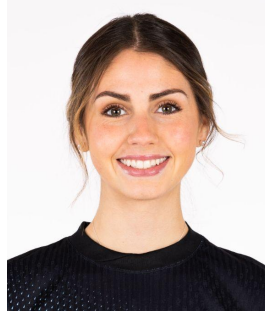
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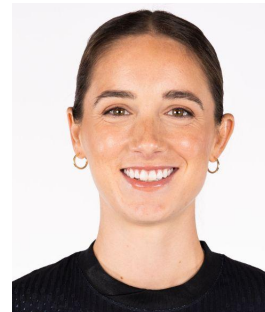
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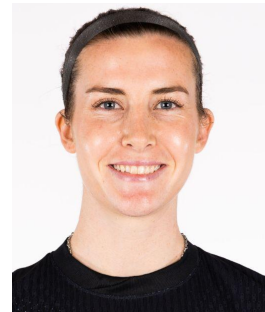
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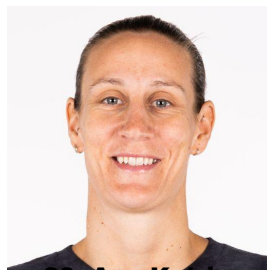
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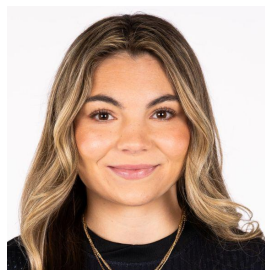
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Juan Carlos Amorós



SHELBY HOGAN

Pronunciation

Position: Goalkeeper

Height: 5'11"

Jersey Number: 1

Date of Birth: May 10, 1998

Age: 26

Hometown: Franklin, MA

Country: USA

Last Club: Portland Thorns

How Acquired: Acquired via trade with Portland Thorns on December 31, 2024

College: Providence College

Pronouns: she / her / hers

PROFESSIONAL

2024 (Portland): Had a breakout season with the Thorns, making 21 league appearances and recording 70 saves. Also collected nine clean sheets, second-most in the regular season behind only Orlando Pride's Anna Moorhouse (13). Played in three of Portland's Concacaf W Champions Cup matches, keeping one clean sheet. **2023 (Portland):** Featured once in the regular season in addition to starting in the NWSL semifinals against Gotham FC. Played three of Portland's four NWSL Challenge Cup matches, keeping one clean sheet. **2022 (Portland):** Won the 2022 NWSL Championship with the Thorns, having made one appearance in the regular season. **2021 (Portland):** Signed a professional contract with the Thorns.

COLLEGE

2019: Started all 20 games for Providence College, giving her 60 consecutive starts in goal. Collected a career-high 110 saves on the season and was selected as the BIG EAST Goalkeeper of the Year and All-BIG EAST First Team honoree. **2018:** Started all 20 matches, tying the program record with 10 shutouts. Selected to the All-BIG EAST First Team and BIG EAST All-Tournament Team. **2017:** In 20 matches, Hogan finished the season ranked third in the BIG EAST in shutouts with seven. Selected to the All-BIG EAST Second Team and All-Freshman Team and was named All-BIG EAST Co-Freshman of the Year.

INTERNATIONAL

Hogan attended the U-18 U.S. Youth National Team camp in 2016. Additionally, she was a member of the U.S. U-23 Youth National Team that participated in the 2022 Three-Nations Tournament.

#1 GOALKEEPER



BRUNA SANTOS NHAIA

BRUNINHA

Pronunciation: Brew-NEEN-yuh

Position: Defender

Height: 5'3"

Jersey Number: 3

Date of Birth: June 16, 2002

Age: 22

Hometown: Castro, Paraná

Country: Brazil

Last Club: Santos FC

How Acquired: Acquired via transfer from Santos FC on August 23, 2022

Pronouns: she / her / hers

PRO HONORS

2022: ESPN Bola de Prata

PROFESSIONAL

2024 (Gotham FC): Recorded two assists in 20 appearances, including eight starts. Came on as a substitute in the NWSL quarterfinal against the Portland Thorns, helping Gotham FC advance to the semifinals. **2023 (Gotham FC):** Made 17 appearances, including 16 starts, recording two goals and becoming the youngest goalscorer in club history. Ranked third on the team in tackles (28) and clearances (30). Finished tied for second in interceptions (22). Started each playoff game, including the NWSL final, helping Gotham FC win its first championship. **2021-22 (Santos FC and Gotham FC):** Bruninha appeared in 24 matches with Santos FC where she scored one goal and won the "Bola de Prata" (Silver Ball). Her rights transferred to Gotham FC in August 2022. She made her NWSL debut for 25 minutes during the final match of the season (October 1) against Portland Thorns. **2020:** She appeared in six matches with Sport Club Internacional, scoring one goal.

INTERNATIONAL

2024: Bruninha played twice for her country in the calendar year, competing in two friendlies against Jamaica. **2023:** Bruninha made three appearances with the Brazil Women's National Team, two of which were during the 2023 SheBelieves Cup, where she had one assist. She was called up to the 2023 FIFA Women's World Cup squad and came on as a substitute in a group stage win over Panama. **2022:** Bruninha and Brazil were the South American U-20 Women's champions. Brazil won all of its tournament matches without conceding a goal. **2019:** Bruninha represented the Brazil Youth National Team at the U-20 levels and captained her country at the U-20 FIFA Women's World Cup. She made 15 appearances, scoring one goal. **2018:** Bruninha represented the Brazil Youth National Team at the U-17 level, making three appearances.

#3 DEFENDER



LILLY REALE

Pronunciation: REEL

Position: Defender

Height: 5'9"

Jersey Number: 4

Date of Birth: August 12, 2003

Age: 21

Hometown: Hingham, MA

Country: USA

How Acquired: Signed multi-year contract on January 3, 2025

College: UCLA

Pronouns: she / her / hers

COLLEGE

2021-2024: Reale played at UCLA, where she was regarded as one of the best defensive players in collegiate soccer and won the 2022 national championship. She became the first player in program history to win three consecutive conference defender of the year awards, claiming Pac-12 Defender of the Year in 2022 and 2023 and Big Ten Defender of the Year in 2024. She was a three-time All-American, three-time all-conference selection and two-time semifinalist for the prestigious MAC Hermann Trophy recognizing the top college soccer players.

INTERNATIONAL

Reale has represented the United States at the U-17 and U-20 levels, including two appearances at the 2022 FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup. She received a call-up to the U.S. Women's National Team futures camp.

#4 DEFENDER



CECE KIZER

Pronunciation: C-C KY-zurr

Position: Forward

Height: 5'8"

Jersey Number: 5

Date of Birth: August 7, 1997

Age: 27

Hometown: Overland Park, KS

Country: USA

Last Club: Houston Dash

How acquired: Acquired via trade with Houston Dash on September 7, 2024

College: University of Mississippi

Pronouns: she / her / hers

PROFESSIONAL

2024 (Gotham FC/Houston): Kizer joined Gotham FC in September after spending most of the season with the Houston Dash. She scored her first goal for the club on Oct. 2, tallying in the fifth minute of first half stoppage during a 13-0 win over Frazsiers Whip in the Concacaf W Champions Cup. Kizer made five appearances for Gotham FC, scoring once. **2023 (KC Current):** Kizer made 20 appearances for the Current, including 18 starts, totaling 1,462 minutes. She scored six goals and recorded two assists. **2022 (KC Current/Racing Louisville):** Traded to the Kansas City Current from Racing Louisville midseason, Kizer scored seven goals and recorded one assist in 15 appearances (14 starts), helping the club reach the NWSL championship. She tallied two assists in five matches with Louisville prior to the trade. **2021 (Racing Louisville):** Kizer started 22 matches for Racing Louisville, scoring five goals and registering one assist. **2020 (Kolbotn/Houston):** Kizer made five appearances for Norwegian side Kolbotn, scoring three goals. She won the inaugural NWSL Challenge Cup with Houston. **2019 (Houston):** Selected in the second round of the 2019 NWSL Draft by the Houston Dash, Kizer made 16 appearances, including two starts.

COLLEGE

2015-18: A three-time All-SEC selection, Kizer is the all-time leader in goals and points at Ole Miss. She was twice named an All-American, leading the SEC in scoring twice and leading the nation in goals from freshmen in 2015.

INTERNATIONAL

Kizer has represented the United States U-23 Youth National Team, earning a call-up in 2019.

#5 FORWARD



EMILY SONNETT

Pronunciation: SAW-knit

Position: Defender

Height: 5'6"

Jersey Number: 6

Date of Birth: November 25, 1993

Age: 31

Hometown: Marietta, GA

Country: USA

Last Club: Seattle Reign FC

How acquired: Signed as free agent through 2026 on January 4, 2024

College: University of Virginia

Pronouns: she / her / hers

PRO HONORS

2018: NWSL Best XI; **2019:** NWSL Second XI

PROFESSIONAL

2024 (Gotham FC): Led the team with a career-high passing accuracy of 90.3% and minutes (2,158). One of two players to start 25 games, setting new career-highs in appearances and starts. **2023 (OL Reign):** Started in 19 matches, recorded 1,677 minutes and finished with an 80% successful pass rate, leading the team to the 2023 NWSL final, playing every minute of every playoff match. **2022 (Washington Spirit):** Appeared in 10 games (nine starts) before suffering an injury while on international duty and being placed on the season- ending injury list. **2021 (Washington Spirit):** Started 14 of 15 games played for 1,263 minutes and started in all three playoff matches, helping the Spirit win the NWSL championship. **2019 (Portland Thorns):** Named NWSL Second XI...Appeared in 13 games, making 12 starts and tallying two goals. **2018 (Portland Thorns):** Started in all 20 games during the regular season with Portland, earning an NWSL Best XI selection. Logged 3,420 consecutive minutes, spanning Aug. 27, 2016-May 19, 2018 across 38 games. **2017 (Portland Thorns):** One of four players to start all 24 matches, playing every minute (2,160) during the regular season and recording three goals and one assist. Registered the game-winning assist in the NWSL championship match against the North Carolina Courage and scored her second career NWSL playoff goal. **2016 (Portland Thorns):** Selected first overall in the 2016 NWSL Draft. Started and played 90 minutes in all 15 appearances, scoring her first professional goal in the semifinal round of the NWSL playoffs against the Western New York Flash.

COLLEGE

2012-15: Started in 89 games of 97 appearances for Virginia, reaching two College Cups. Recorded 11 goals and nine assists. As a senior in 2015, earned espnW National Player of the Year and was selected to the First-Team NSCAA All-American, First-Team NSCAA All- Southeast Region and ACC Defensive Player of the Year. Selected as the College Cup Most Outstanding Defensive Player as a junior in 2014. As a sophomore in 2013, set a UVA single-season record with 2,341 minutes played. Earned three all-conference honors in her career.

INTERNATIONAL

2025: Named to the 23-player roster for the SheBelieves Cup. **2024:** Selected to the 18-player roster for the 2024 Olympics; appeared as a substitute in the gold medal game, helping the U.S. keep a clean sheet and claim the gold medal. Made her 100th cap for the USWNT on Oct. 24 against Iceland. **2023:** Made two appearances in the FIFA Women's World Cup, starting once. **2022:** Started two of three matches in helping her team win the Concacaf W Championship. **2021:** Named to the 18-player roster for the 2020 Summer Olympics in Tokyo, earning an Olympic bronze medal **2019:** Was named to the 23-player roster for the 2019 FIFA World Cup, helping the team win its second consecutive World Cup. **2015:** On Oct. 16, 2015, Sonnett received her first call-up to the United States Women's National Team after spending five years with the U-18 and the U-23 teams between 2011-15.

#6 DEFENDER



JAE LIN HOWELL

Pronunciation: HOW-wool

Position: Midfielder

Height: 5'7"

Jersey Number: 7

Date of Birth: November 21, 1999

Age: 25

Hometown: Lone Tree, CO

Country: USA

Last Club: Seattle Reign FC

How acquired: Acquired in trade with Seattle Reign FC on December 20, 2024

College: Florida State University

Pronouns: she / her / hers

PROFESSIONAL

2024 (Seattle Reign/Racing Louisville): Howell started the 2024 season with Louisville before being traded to Seattle in August. **2023 (Racing Louisville):** Named club captain and started in 19 of her 21 appearances. She was named the Nationwide Community Impact Award recipient for her work with Down Syndrome of Louisville. **2022 (Racing Louisville):** Howell was drafted as the No. 2 overall pick in the 2022 NWSL Draft from Florida State.

COLLEGE

2021: Howell captained Florida State to the national title, her second in four seasons, winning the Honda Sport Award and the MAC Hermann Trophy. Also named United Soccer Coaches First Team All-American, All-ACC First Team and ACC Midfielder of the Year. **2020:** Started in each of Florida State's 16 matches, guiding the Seminoles to another national championship match. Won her first MAC Hermann Trophy and was named to the All-ACC First Team and the ACC Midfielder of the Year. **2019:** Started all 23 games she played and was named to the All-ACC First Team and MAC Hermann Trophy watch list. **2018:** Played in 26 matches as a freshman, ranking third in minutes played (2,152) on her team. Won a national championship.

INTERNATIONAL

Howell has earned five caps and scored one goal with the U.S. Women's National Team. She was named to the Best XI at the 2016 Concacaf U-17 Championship.

#7 MIDFIELDER



TARYN TORRES

Pronunciation

Position: Midfielder

Height: 5'6"

Jersey Number: 8

Date of Birth: April 23, 1999

Age: 25

Hometown: Frisco, Texas

Country: USA

How acquired: Selected with No. 21 pick in the 2021 NWSL Draft

College: University of Virginia

Pronouns: she / her / hers

PROFESSIONAL

2024 (Gotham FC): Made 12 appearances and one start after returning from a season-ending injury. **2023 (Gotham FC):** Missed entire season due to an anterior cruciate ligament injury sustained during preseason training camp. **2022 (Gotham FC):** Torres made 13 appearances, nine being starts, with Gotham FC. **2021 (Gotham FC):** Torres was drafted as the 21st pick by Gotham FC in the 2021 NWSL Draft.

COLLEGE

2017-22: Appeared in 100 matches, totaling 14 goals and 14 assists. Drafted by Sky Blue FC in 2021 but elected to return to UVA for the spring portion of the season. Earned All-ACC honors three times.

INTERNATIONAL

2018: Torres played for U-20 USWNT in the 2018 FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup. Prior to this, she was also a member of U-19, U-17 and U-15 USWNT.

#8 MIDFIELDER



ESTHER GONZÁLEZ

Pronunciation: ess-STAIR

Position: Forward

Height: 5'5"

Jersey Number: 9

Date of Birth: December 8, 1992

Age: 32

Hometown: Huéscar

Country: Spain

Last Club: Real Madrid

How acquired: Signed multi-year contract on August 23, 2023

Pronouns: she / her / hers

PRO HONORS

2024: NWSL Second XI

PROFESSIONAL

2024 (Gotham FC): Led Gotham FC in regular-season goals with nine, all scored in the second half. Recorded two braces, tying Monica Ocampo (2013), Katie Johnson (2018) and Carli Lloyd (2019) for the club record, marking the third of her career, setting a new club record. Also tallied four assists, tied with Ella Stevens for second-best on the team. **2023 (Gotham FC/Real Madrid):** After joining Gotham FC, González started in three matches while appearing in five, helping Gotham win the 2023 NWSL championship – scoring the title-winner. **2022 (Real Madrid):** Finished her three years at Real Madrid as the club's all-time leading scorer, with 39 goals in 77 matches. **2019-21 (Levante):** Scored 29 goals over the 2020-21 season, finishing second in Liga F. **2013-19 (Atlético Madrid):** Tallied 107 goals in 220 appearances, helping Atleti win three Liga F titles and a Copa de la Reina. **2012-13 (Sporting Huelva):** Scored 15 goals in 27 games. **2011-12 (Atlético Málaga):** Rang up 12 goals in one season with the club. **2009-11 (Levante):** Scored 12 goals in 47 appearances in her first stint with the club.

INTERNATIONAL

2024: Scored two goals against Belgium in a qualifier match for Euro 2025. **2023:** Served as captain for two of Spain's World Cup matches, eventually winning the tournament. Scored against Costa Rica in the group stage. **2022:** Scored against England in the 2022 Euro quarterfinal, before eventually falling to the host country. **2021:** Scored 13 goals in eight appearances, including five goals in one match against Azerbaijan.

#9 FORWARD



SARAH
SCHUPANSKY

Pronunciation: shoe-PAN-ski

Position: Forward

Height: 5'5"

Jersey Number: 11

Date of Birth: August 25, 2003

Age: 21

Hometown: Pittsburgh, PA

Country: USA

How acquired: Signed multi-year contract on Dec. 23, 2024

College: University of Pittsburgh

Pronouns: she / her / hers

COLLEGE

2021-2024: Schupansky led the NCAA in assists in 2024 (15). In 2023, she became the first player in Pitt program history to be named to the All-ACC First Team, collecting 11 goals and 14 assists that year. The Pittsburgh native finished her college career with 32 goals and 43 assists in 82 games played.

#11 FORWARD



RYAN

CAMPBELL

Pronunciation

Position: Goalkeeper

Height: 5'11"

Jersey Number: 12

Date of Birth: March 18, 2002

Age: 22

Hometown: Laguna Beach, CA

Country: USA

How Acquired: Signed a deal through the 2025 season on January 10, 2025

College: UCLA

Pronouns: she / her / hers

COLLEGE

2024 (UCLA): As the Bruins' starting goalkeeper, she played every minute of every match in 2024, logging 2,171 minutes and leading the nation with 16 clean sheets — the second-most in UCLA history for a single season. Campbell earned Second Team All-Big Ten recognition and was named to the MAC Hermann Trophy watch list. **2020-2023 (Stanford):** Named 2023 Pac-12 Goalkeeper of the Year, allowing just 13 goals in 23 matches and making 60 saves. Her 0.601 goals-against average, 82.2% save percentage and 11 shutouts all ranked first in the Pac-12. Campbell also earned All-Pac-12 honors. In 2022, Campbell started 21 of Stanford's 22 matches and ranked first in the Pac-12 in goals against average (0.549) and second in save percentage (83.6%) and shutouts (eight), earning All-Pac-12 honors.

INTERNATIONAL

Campbell has participated in U.S. Youth National Team camps at the U-14, U-15, U-16, U-17 and U-23 levels. She also competed with the U-23 team at the 2023 Thorns Preseason Tournament.

#12 GOALKEEPER



ELLA STEVENS

Pronunciation

Position: Forward

Height: 5'8"

Jersey Number: 13

Date of Birth: December 11, 1997

Age: 27

Hometown: Grayson, GA

Country: USA

Last Club: Chicago Stars FC

How acquired: Signed multi-year contract on January 22, 2024

College: Duke University

Pronouns: she / her / hers

PROFESSIONAL

2024 (Gotham FC): Scored a career-high seven goals and added four assists while creating 18 chances. Found the back of the net in three consecutive games in May, becoming the first player since Midge Purce in 2021 to do so for Gotham FC. Named to the Best XI of the Month for August. **2023 (Chicago):** Scored four goals, including the game-winner on July 1 against San Diego, to tie for the club lead in 22 matches and 16 starts. Played in four matches, starting three, during the NWSL Challenge Cup. **2022 (Chicago):** Appeared in 19 regular season matches, with 10 starts, and totaled four goals and two assists. Appeared as a substitute in the Red Stars' playoff match. Made five appearances and three starts in the NWSL Challenge Cup with one assist. **2021 (Chicago):** Made six appearances as a substitute in all competitions (five in the regular season, one in the NWSL Challenge Cup), playing 67 minutes. **2020 (Chicago):** Selected 24th overall in the NWSL Draft by Chicago. Debuted in the NWSL Challenge Cup, appearing in two games and making one start.

COLLEGE

2016-19: Played in 91 matches at Duke, starting 81. Tallied 24 goals and 34 assists. Second-team All-ACC selection in 2017 and 2019 and a third-team All-ACC pick in 2016. Part of NCAA Tournament teams in 2016 (quarterfinals), 2017 (College Cup), 2018 (round of 16) and 2019 (second round).

INTERNATIONAL

Played for the US U-17, U-19, U-20 and U-23 national teams, winning a Concacaf championship at the U-20 level in 2015. Received her first U.S. Women's National Team call-up in January 2025.

#13 FORWARD



NEALY MARTIN

Pronunciation

Position: Midfielder

Height: 5'7"

Jersey Number: 14

Date of Birth: April 22, 1998

Age: 26

Hometown: Birmingham, AL

Country: USA

Last Club: Racing Louisville FC

How acquired: Signed with the club through 2026 in Sept. 2023

College: University of Alabama

Pronouns: she / her / hers

PROFESSIONAL

2024 (Gotham FC): Led the team with 44 interceptions, 21 more than the next-highest player, setting a career high. Also set personal bests in appearances (25), starts (22) and minutes (1,917). Posted a career-best passing accuracy of 82.8% and recorded a career-high 35 tackles. **2023 (Gotham FC):** Martin started in 13 of the 15 matches she appeared in. The midfielder won 85% of her tackles, which was second among players who attempted at least 20 tackles. She also became the first field player to play in goal in a playoff game in NWSL history, standing in for goalkeeper Mandy Haught in the final minutes of the championship match. Martin started all playoff games en route to the 2023 NWSL championship. **2022 (Racing Louisville):** Martin made 11 appearances, including eight starts, in her second year. **2021 (Racing Louisville):** Martin signed with Racing Louisville after initially emerging from an open tryout ahead of the club's inaugural season. She went on to make 18 appearances, including 13 starts.

COLLEGE

2016-19: Martin played for the University of Alabama, playing in 76 matches and scoring five goals throughout her collegiate career. She served as captain of the team during her junior and senior years. Over her four-season collegiate career, Martin was named SEC Co-Scholar Athlete of the Year, CoSIDA Academic All-American First Team and SEC Community Service Team.

INTERNATIONAL

2025: Martin received her first national team call-up at any level for the U.S. Women's National Team in January 2025.

#14 MIDFIELDER



TIERNA DAVIDSON

Pronunciation: TIER-nuh

Position: Defender

Height: 5'10"

Jersey Number: 15

Date of Birth: September 19, 1998

Age: 26

Hometown: Menlo Park, CA

Country: USA

Last Club: Chicago Stars FC

How Acquired: Signed with Gotham FC as a free agent in January 2024

College: Stanford University

Pronouns: she / her / hers

HONORS

2018 U.S. Soccer Young Female Player of the Year

PROFESSIONAL

2024 (Gotham FC): Achieved a career-high 19 appearances and 16 starts. Led the team with 56 clearances and contributed to nine clean sheets, tied for second-best in the league. Also posted a career-high passing accuracy of 83%, the second-best on the team. **2019-23 (Chicago Stars):** Selected as the first overall pick in the 2019 NWSL Draft, Davidson started 62 of her 64 appearances for the then-Red Stars, recording 5,420 minutes. Additionally, she led Chicago to three NWSL playoff berths, including two NWSL championship appearances.

COLLEGE

2016-18: In her sophomore season, Davidson was a MAC Hermann Trophy semifinalist and helped lead Stanford to the national championship, starting all 25 games. Earned College Cup Most Outstanding Defensive Player, College Cup All-Tournament team, Pac-12 Defensive Player of the Year, All-Pac-12 First Team and All-American honors. As a freshman, she earned Pac-12 All-Freshman and All-Pac 12 Second Team honors and was one of five players to start every game.

INTERNATIONAL

2018-25: Davidson has appeared in 65 matches for the USWNT, recording three goals and seven assists. Davidson was named U.S. Soccer Young Female Player of the Year in 2018, the same year she made her first appearance with the USWNT. In addition, Davidson was the youngest player on the 2019 FIFA Women's World Cup squad as the USWNT won the tournament. At the 2020 Summer Olympics, Davidson helped win the bronze medal. In June 2024, Davidson was selected to the 18-player roster for the 2024 Summer Olympics in France, where she led the U.S. to a gold medal.

#15 DEFENDER



ROSE LAVELLE

Pronunciation: LUH-vell

Position: Midfielder

Height: 5'4"

Jersey Number: 16

Date of Birth: May 14, 1995

Age: 29

Hometown: Cincinnati, OH

Country: USA

Last Club: Seattle Reign FC

How acquired: Signed as a free agent on January 2, 2024

College: University of Wisconsin

Pronouns: she / her / hers

PRO HONORS

2014: Concacaf Women's U-20 Championship Golden Ball; **2019:** Bronze Ball at 2019 FIFA World Cup; FIFA FIFPro World XI; NWSL Best XI; **2022:** Concacaf W Championship Best XI; NWSL Second XI; **2024:** NWSL Second XI

PROFESSIONAL

2024 (Gotham FC): Scored a career-high seven goals in the regular season. Led the team with 28 shots on goal and 55 total shots. Finished the season with a career-best passing accuracy of 81.96%. Earned Best XI of the Month honors in June.

2023 (OL Reign): After returning from injury, she appeared in seven matches and started in six across all competitions in 2023, recording one goal and two assists. Helped OL Reign advance to the 2023 NWSL championship match after she assisted the game-winning goal in the semifinals. Scored OL Reign's only goal in the final, a 2-1 loss to Gotham FC.

2022 (OL Reign): Achieved single-season career highs in appearances (17), minutes played (1,480), goals (five) and shots (48), earning an NWSL Second XI selection. Led the team in shots and finished third on the team in goals. Named to the NWSL Best XI of the Month twice (May and September/October). **2021 (OL Reign):** Appeared in 11 games, starting in all of them. Made her Reign debut on May 30 (vs. Washington). Finished with one goal, one assist and 29 shots.

2019 (Washington Spirit): Named to the NWSL Best XI for the first time in her career after appearing in six games (five starts) for 450 total minutes, scoring one goal on nine shots. **2018 (Washington Spirit):** Made five starts in 11 games played for 424 total minutes. Tallied six shots.

2017 (Boston Breakers): Drafted as the first overall pick in the 2017 NWSL Draft. Started in eight of 10 games played, recording two goals from seven shots and one assist.

COLLEGE

2013-16: Started in 61 of 62 games played for Wisconsin, recording 19 goals, 14 assists and 231 shots. Ranked as the No. 1 player in the country in 2016 by Top Drawer Soccer. NSCAA First Team All-American selection as a junior (2015). Named Big Ten Midfielder of the Year in consecutive years (2015-16). Named Big Ten Freshman of the Year (2013). Was a First Team All-Big Ten selection all four years for the Badgers.

INTERNATIONAL

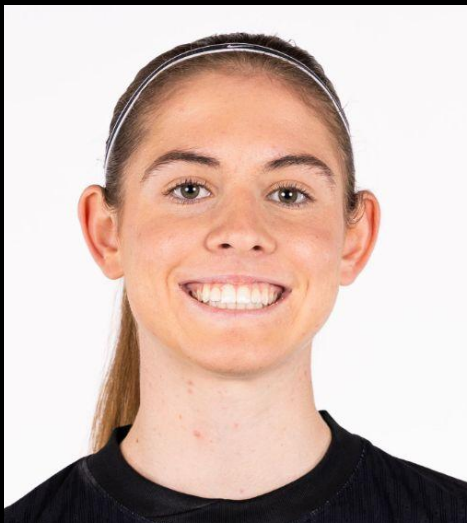
2024: Lavelle was selected to the 18-player U.S. Women's National Team roster for the 2024 Paris Olympics, helping the U.S. claim the gold medal. On June 4, she became the 43rd player to earn 100 caps for the U.S. Women's National Team in a 3-0 victory over South Korea.

2023: Lavelle was named to the 2023 FIFA World Cup roster but played limited minutes due to a knee injury. **2022:** Won the Concacaf Women's Championship, earning Best XI honors. **2021:** Named to the 2020 Tokyo Olympic roster, appearing in all six games and helping the U.S. earn a bronze medal. She scored one goal in the tournament in the 6-1 victory over New Zealand.

2019: Lavelle had standout performances at the 2019 FIFA World Cup in France, scoring three goals and earning the Bronze Ball as the third best player in the tournament. **2018:** Named to the Concacaf Women's Championship roster, appearing in all five games and scoring three goals as the U.S. won the tournament.

2017: Lavelle earned her first senior international cap on March 4, 2017, against England at the SheBelieves Cup.

#16 MIDFIELDER



MAK
WHITHAM

Pronunciation: WIT-um

Position: Forward

Height: 5'5"

Jersey Number: 17

Date of Birth: July 27, 2010

Age: 14

Hometown: Granite Bay, California

Country: USA

Last Club: Slammers FC HB Køge (youth)

How acquired: Signed as a U18 on July 26, 2024

Pronouns: she / her / hers

PROFESSIONAL

2024: Became the youngest player in top-division American soccer history to appear in a game on July 28, coming off the bench in the 80th minute in a 2-1 win for Gotham FC over the Washington Spirit in the NWSL x Liga MX Femenil Summer Cup.

INTERNATIONAL

Featured for the U-15 U.S. Women's National Team at the 2024 Concacaf Girls' U-15 Championship, scoring the second goal in a 3-0 win over Mexico in the final.

#17 FORWARD



GABI PORTILHO

Pronunciation: Gabby pour-CHEE-yo

Country: Brazil

Position: Forward

Last Club: Corinthians

Height: 5'5"

How acquired: Signed multi-year contract on December 30, 2024

Jersey Number: 18

Pronouns: she / her / hers

Date of Birth: July 18, 1995

Age: 29

Hometown: Brasília, Brazil

PRO HONORS

2024: Bola de Prata; The Best FIFA XI

PROFESSIONAL

2020-2024 (Corinthians): Scored 22 goals in 96 appearances. Helped Corinthians secure five consecutive Campeonato Brasileiro Femenino A1 titles (2020–24), three consecutive Supercopa do Brasil titles (2022-24) and three Copa Libertadores Femenina titles (2021, 2023 and 2024). Individually, Portilho won the Bola de Prata as one of the top players in the Campeonato Brasileiro in 2024. Named to The Best FIFA Women's 11. Ranked 18th in the 2024 Ballon d'Or Féminin voting. **2013-19:** Starting her career in Brazil, Portilho played for Kindermann-Avai, São José, Audax, and 3B da Amazônia. In 2016, she joined Spanish club Madrid CFF, where she spent seven months before returning to Brazil in 2017.

INTERNATIONAL

Portilho has earned 26 caps with the Brazil Women's National Team, including appearances in the 2024 Summer Olympics, where she won a silver medal. She played in all but one of Brazil's six Olympic matches, scoring the winning goal in the 82nd minute against France in the quarterfinals to secure a spot in the semifinals. She also contributed a goal and an assist in Brazil's 4-2 win over Spain in the semifinal, helping the team reach the gold medal match against the U.S.

#18 FORWARD



JÉSSICA SILVA

Pronunciation

Position: Forward

Height: 5'7"

Jersey Number: 20

Date of Birth: December 11, 1994

Age: 30

Hometown: Vila Nova de Milfontes

Country: Portugal

Last Club: SL Benfica

How acquired: Signed via free transfer on August 16, 2024

Pronouns: she / her / hers

PROFESSIONAL

2024 (Gotham FC): Joined Gotham FC in August via free transfer from SL Benfica, making seven appearances for Gotham FC across all competitions. Scored her first goal for the club on October 2, netting Gotham FC's ninth goal in a 13-0 win against Frazsiers Whip Women FC in the Concacaf W Champions Cup. Recorded her first NWSL assist against the Chicago Red Stars in a 2-0 victory. **2022-24 (SL Benfica):** Won the league every season she was with the club, featuring 38 times for the Portuguese side, scoring 24 goals. **2021 (KC Current):** Played in 14 matches, including five starts, recording two assists. **2019-2021 (OL Feminin):** Featured in two matches, scoring one goal and winning the UEFA Women's Champions League. **2017-2019 (Levante):** Played in 41 games, scoring six goals. **2016-2017 (Braga):** Recorded 12 goals in 12 matches. **2015-2016 (Albergaria):** Scored 11 goals in 14 games in the Campeonato Nacional Femenino. **2014 (Linköping):** Played two games. **2011-2014 (Albegaria):** Featured in 22 games, scoring 21 goals.

INTERNATIONAL

Silva has made 119 appearances for the Portuguese Women's National Team, scoring 18 goals. She made her senior debut in 2011 against Austria in a UEFA Women's Euro qualifying match. Silva was included in the roster for the 2022 UEFA Women's Euro and the 2023 FIFA Women's World Cup.

#20 FORWARD



SOFIA COOK

Pronunciation: So-FEE-uh

Position: Midfielder

Height: 5'6"

Jersey Number: 21

Date of Birth: August 7, 2004

Age: 20

Hometown: Huntington Beach, CA

Country: USA

How acquired: Signed multi-year contract on January 29, 2025

College: UCLA

Pronouns: she / her / hers

COLLEGE

2022-2024 (UCLA): Cook totaled 12 goals and six assists in 56 games, winning the 2022 national championship alongside future Gotham FC teammate Lilly Reale, and claiming Pac-12 All-Freshman Team and all-conference honors twice. Her game-winning goal in the 2022 national quarterfinals sent UCLA to the College Cup. She finished the 2024 season as joint top scorer for the Bruins with four goals and earned All-Big Ten honors.

INTERNATIONAL

Cook competed with the U-20 U.S. Women's National Team at the 2023 Concacaf Women's U-20 Championships. She was also a member of the U-15 U.S. Youth National Team that won the 2018 Concacaf Girls' U-15 Championship.

#21 MIDFIELDER



MANDY FREEMAN

Pronunciation

Position: Defender

Height: 5'5"

Jersey Number: 22

Date of Birth: March 23, 1995

Age: 29

Hometown: Royal Palm Beach, FL

Country: USA

How acquired: Selected 10th overall in the 2017 NWSL Draft

College: USC

Pronouns: she / her / hers

PROFESSIONAL

2024 (Gotham FC): Scored her first NWSL goal and registered two assists in seven starts and 16 games. Made her 95th regular season appearance in the final game of the season. **2023 (Gotham FC):** Freeman appeared in 10 matches and recorded six starts, helping the team that drafted her to its first NWSL championship title. **2022 (Gotham FC):** Freeman appeared in 17 matches with 16 starts during the 2022 season. **2021 (Gotham FC):** Played in 11 matches, making eight starts, posting 31 clearances with an 85.7% passing rate. **2020 (Gotham FC):** Posted nine clearances, three blocks and three interceptions in her four appearances for the 2020 NWSL Fall Series. **2019 (Gotham FC):** Sat out the season season due to injury. **2018 (Gotham FC):** In 21 appearances, tallied 65 clearances, 15 blocks and 40 interceptions. **2017 (Gotham FC):** Freeman was selected as the 10th overall pick in 2017 NWSL Draft, making 21 appearances her first season, compiling one assist, 71 clearances, 14 blocks and 42 interceptions.

COLLEGE

2013-16 (USC): Freeman made 69 appearances, with 67 starts, scoring two goals and adding nine assists. In 2016, she won a national championship and was named Pac-12 Defensive Player of the Year. Freeman was also named to the 2015 NSCAA All-Pacific Region Second Team and was a three-time All-Pac-12 selection.

INTERNATIONAL

Freeman represented the United States on the U-23, U-20 and U-17 Youth National Teams. She was a member of the U-17 World Cup qualifying team.

#22 DEFENDER



MIDGE PURCE

Pronunciation

Position: Forward

Height: 5'4"

Jersey Number: 23

Date of Birth: September 18, 1995

Age: 29

Hometown: Silver Spring, Maryland

Country: USA

Last Club: Portland Thorns

How acquired: Signed a new contract with Gotham FC on February 5, 2025

College: Harvard University

Pronouns: she / her / hers

PRO HONORS

2023: NWSL Championship MVP; **2021:** NWSL Best XI, MVP finalist

PROFESSIONAL

2024 (Gotham FC): Suffered a season-ending injury in the opening match of the 2024 NWSL season. **2023 (Gotham FC):** Named MVP of the NWSL championship match for her two-assist performance in winning the title. The forward appeared in 12 matches with eight starts in the 2023 regular season, notching four goals and two assists. **2022 (Gotham FC):** Scored four goals in her 21 appearances. **2021 (Gotham FC):** Started in all 18 games, earning NWSL Best XI honors. She was a finalist for NWSL MVP and tied for second in the NWSL with nine goals. **2020 (Gotham FC):** Purce was traded to Gotham FC in January 2020, making nine appearances and totaling one goal and two assists. **2018-19 (Portland Thorns):** Selected with the No. 4 pick in the 2018 NWSL Dispersal Draft and scored eight goals and had an assist in her 44 appearances with the team. **2017 (Boston Breakers):** Purce was selected with the No. 9 pick in the NWSL Draft to the Boston Breakers, tallying one goal and two assists in 22 appearances.

COLLEGE

2013-16 (Harvard): Played 69 matches, starting in 63 of them. She scored 42 goals and had 12 assists. She ended her collegiate career as the third all-time scorer in school history and was the two-time Ivy League Player of the Year. She was named to the 2016 All-America First Team and was a 2016 MAC Hermann semifinalist. Named All-Ivy League first team four times and 2013 Ivy League Rookie of the Year (First rookie to be awarded POTY in league history) and NSCAA/Continental Tire Women's All-American Third Team.

INTERNATIONAL

2024: W Gold Cup champion. **2022:** Made 11 appearances, scoring two goals and adding one assist. **2021:** Scored her first senior national team goal amid seven appearances, eventually compiling two goals and two assists. **2019-20:** Received her first USWNT cap in 2019. **2015-18:** Represented the U.S. U-23 Youth National Team. **2013-14:** Purce made four appearances and three starts in the 2014 FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup, scoring a goal against Mexico during the 2014 Concacaf U-20 Championship. **2011-12:** Played in the 2012 FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup.

#23 FORWARD



JESS CARTER

Pronunciation

Position: Defender

Height: 5'5"

Jersey Number: 327

Date of Birth: October 27, 1997

Age: 27

Hometown: Warwick, England

Country: England

Last Club: Chelsea FC

How Acquired: Acquired via transfer from Chelsea FC on July 29, 2024

Pronouns: she / her / hers

PRO HONORS

2024: Chelsea FC's Player's Player of the Year, UEFA Women's Champions League Team of the Season. **2017:** PFA Young Player of the Year, FA WSL PFA Team of the Year

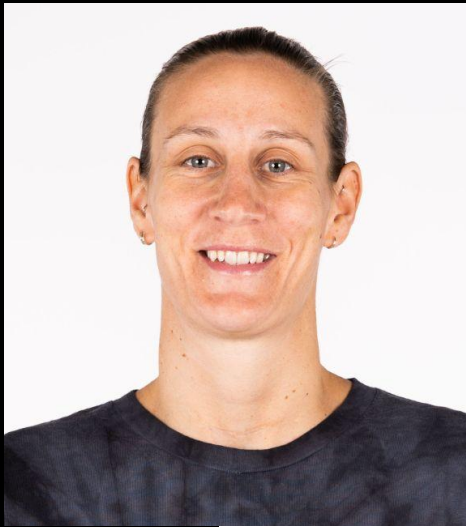
PROFESSIONAL

2024 (Gotham FC): Joined Gotham FC in July from Chelsea FC, starting all 10 regular-season matches she appeared in and logging 853 minutes of play. Carter won 62.5% of her duels and 66.7% of her aerial duels, adding 20 interceptions and 21 clearances. **2023-24 (Chelsea FC):** Carter featured in 21 matches, starting 19 and accumulating 1,723 minutes. She recorded one assist, 12 interceptions and a team-leading 61 clearances, helping Chelsea secure a fifth consecutive WSL title. **2022-23 (Chelsea FC):** Carter made 17 appearances for Chelsea, scoring two goals and registering one assist. She also recorded 23 interceptions and 34 clearances, contributing to another WSL title for Chelsea. **2021-22 (Chelsea FC):** In 21 league appearances, Carter recorded one assist and logged 1,685 minutes of play. She also tallied 34 interceptions and 48 clearances, helping Chelsea win another league title. **2020-21 (Chelsea FC):** Carter made nine appearances for Chelsea, including three starts, and recorded one assist. She helped the team achieve a domestic treble that season (WSL, FA Cup and League Cup). **2019-20 (Chelsea FC):** Carter scored her first goal for Chelsea in a 6-1 victory over Bristol City. She also recorded one assist, six interceptions and 10 clearances in 324 minutes. **2018-19 (Chelsea FC):** In her first season with Chelsea, Carter made 13 appearances and eight starts, contributing one assist, seven interceptions and 12 clearances. **2013-18 (Birmingham City):** Carter began her professional career with Birmingham City, making her debut at age 16 in the UEFA Women's Champions League Quarterfinal.

INTERNATIONAL

Carter received her first senior call-up to the England Women's National Team in 2017 during the 2019 FIFA Women's World Cup qualifying stages. She made her debut in a 5-0 win over Kazakhstan, coming off the bench. Carter was part of the England squad that won the inaugural Arnold Clark Cup and the UEFA Euro Championship in 2022, and she started in five of six matches at the 2023 FIFA Women's World Cup, helping England reach the final.

#27 DEFENDER



ANN-KATRIN BERGER

Pronunciation: Ann-CAT-trin

Position: Goalkeeper

Height: 5'11"

Jersey Number: 30

Date of Birth: October 9, 1990

Age: 34

Hometown: Göppingen, Germany

Country: Germany

Last Club: Chelsea FC

How Acquired: Acquired via transfer from Chelsea FC on April 19, 2024

Pronouns: she / her / hers

PRO HONORS

2024: NWSL Goalkeeper of the Year, NWSL Best XI, Women's Footballer of the Year (Germany); **2021-22:** FA WSL Golden Glove; **2017-18, 2019-22:** FA WSL PFA Team of the Year - 2017-18, 2019-22; **2021-22:** The Best FIFA Goalkeeper - third

PROFESSIONAL

2024 (Gotham FC): Started and played in 22 matches, recording 67 saves with an 80.72% save percentage, the second-best in club history. Also posted a club-record 0.727 goals against average and registered eight clean sheets. Named the 2024 NWSL Goalkeeper of the Year and made the NWSL Best XI. **2023-24 (Chelsea FC):** Made five starts in the 2023-24 WSL season, recording 14 saves and two clean sheets with a 4-1-0 record. **2022-23 (Chelsea FC):** In 15 appearances for Chelsea, logged 1,350 minutes, made 33 saves and kept eight clean sheets, contributing to the club's fourth consecutive WSL title. **2021-22 (Chelsea FC):** Appeared in 14 WSL matches, recording 24 saves and eight shutouts. **2020-21 (Chelsea FC):** In 17 starts, collected 24 saves and 12 clean sheets, winning the Golden Glove and helping Chelsea secure the WSL title on the final day. **2019-20 (Chelsea FC):** In her first full season with Chelsea, played 13 matches, made 44 saves and accumulated 1,170 minutes of play. **2018-19 (Chelsea FC/Birmingham City):** Transferred to Chelsea midseason from Birmingham City. In her time that season with Birmingham City, she played eight matches, recording 26 saves and six shutouts. **2017-18 (Birmingham City):** Played 14 matches, recording seven shutouts and a 7-4-3 record. **2014-16 (Paris Saint-Germain):** Made 22 appearances across all competitions. **2011-14 (1. FFC Turbine Potsdam):** In the Frauen-Bundesliga, featured in 19 league matches and won the 2012 league title. **2009-11 (VfL Sindelfingen):** Spent two seasons with the 2. Frauen-Bundesliga side, making 26 appearances.

INTERNATIONAL

2024: Berger represented Germany at the 2024 Summer Olympics, starting in all six matches. In the quarterfinal against Canada, she saved two consecutive penalty kicks, helping Germany advance. Berger also kept a clean sheet in the bronze medal match against Spain, securing a medal for her country. **2023:** Berger was named to Germany's squad for the 2023 FIFA Women's World Cup. **2022:** Berger was part of the German squad that finished as runner-up at UEFA Women's Euro. **2020:** Berger made her national team debut on December 1 in a UEFA Women's Euro 2022 qualifying match against the Republic of Ireland. **2018:** Berger received her first call-up to the German national team in November.

#30 GOALKEEPER



KHYAH HARPER

Pronunciation: KY-yuh

Position: Forward

Height: 5'5"

Jersey Number: 34

Date of Birth: August 15, 2002

Age: 22

Hometown: Lino Lakes, MN

Country: USA

How acquired: Signed a contract through 2025 season on January 8, 2025

College: University of Minnesota

Pronouns: she / her / hers

COLLEGE

2021-2024: Harper made 68 appearances for the University of Minnesota Golden Gophers, scoring 20 goals and registering 14 assists in 4,226 minutes of play. During a standout 2024 season, Harper scored 17 goals, including back-to-back hat tricks, making her the first Minnesota player to achieve such a feat since 1998. She capped off her senior year by being named the Big Ten Forward of the Year and earned All-Big Ten First Team honors. Additionally, she was named a semifinalist for the prestigious MAC Hermann Trophy.

#34 FORWARD



STELLA NYAMEKYE

Pronunciation: nya-METCH-eh

Position: Midfield

Height: 5'3"

Jersey Number: 90

Date of Birth: September 18, 2005

Age: 19

Hometown: Kumasi, Ghana

Country: Ghana

Last Club: Dreamz Ladies FC

How acquired: Acquired via transfer from Dreamz Ladies FC on December 24, 2024

Pronouns: she / her / hers

PROFESSIONAL

2021-2024 (Dreamz Ladies FC): Nyamekye began her career in Ghana. In 2024, she was nominated for the CAF Young Player of the Year award.

INTERNATIONAL

2024: Nyamekye captained the Ghana U-20 Women's National Team at the 2024 FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup, starting in all three group-stage matches. She collected two goals and one assist in the competition, in addition to leading the team in most attempts on goal (22). **2023:** Nyamekye made her senior national team debut in a 3-0 win against Benin on February 19.

#90 MIDFIELDER

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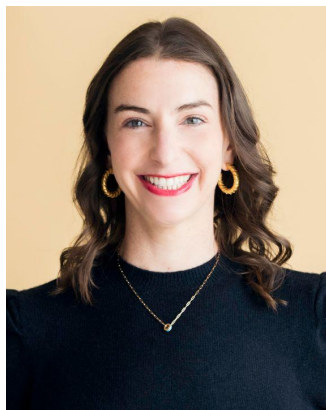
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OPERATING OWNERS



CAROLYN TISCH BLODGETT

CLUB GOVERNOR, NWSL BOARD MEMBER & CHAIR OF NWSL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Carolyn Tisch Blodgett is the CEO and founder of Next 3, where she oversees the investment and management of a portfolio of assets in the sports, media and entertainment space. She invests across teams, leagues and technologies including Gotham FC, TGL and Los Angeles Golf Club, LOVB, Transmit.Live, Jackpot.com and more.

Tisch Blodgett serves as the governor of Gotham FC, where she is the lead owner across the business. Under her leadership, the team has seen tremendous growth across fan attendance, revenue and on-field performance, including the club's first NWSL championship in 2023 and league-record sponsorship deals. She serves on the NWSL board of directors, where she was selected to serve as the first chair of the executive committee.

Tisch Blodgett also acts as a strategic advisor to the Tisch Ownership Group at the New York Football Giants, where she supports ownership's interests across the business.

Prior to founding Next 3, Tisch Blodgett served as Peloton's head of global marketing, building and leading the company's first brand and marketing teams, including Peloton's successful launch of record-breaking fitness products (Peloton Bike+, Tread and App), international expansion and the transition into a global public company. She has received numerous awards, including the Cynopsis Sports Navigator Luminary Award, Business Insider's 25 Most Innovative CMOs in the World, Crain's 40 under 40, AdWeek Brand Genius Award and AdAge 40 under 40.



ED NALBANDIAN

MANAGING OWNER, NWSL BOARD MEMBER

A lifelong soccer enthusiast, Ed Nalbandian joined Gotham FC's ownership group in January 2020. He is a former high school, collegiate and semi-professional player; a former professional youth soccer coach, and a devoted NWSL, Major League Soccer and Premier League fan.

As the club's vice chair, Nalbandian is the lead owner on day-to-day club operations, collaborating closely with general manager and head of soccer operations Yael Averbuch West.

Nalbandian comes to Gotham FC with more than 35 years of executive experience. He served as a successful CEO of three IT services companies; held executive roles at IBM, AT&T, Cognizant and Avaya; and was a finalist for Ernst & Young's Entrepreneur of the Year award in 2003.

Nalbandian currently sits on the board of directors of Carousel Industries, a leading IT services company. He also authored the acclaimed IT services book, "The Managed Services Playbook," and was a founding member of the board of directors of the Technology Services Industry Association's Managed Services division.

Nalbandian earned a Bachelor of Arts in economics at the University of North Carolina. He and his wife of 30 years, Tracy, have two children, Kellie and Eric.

FOUNDING OWNERS



TAMMY MURPHY

CLUB CHAIR

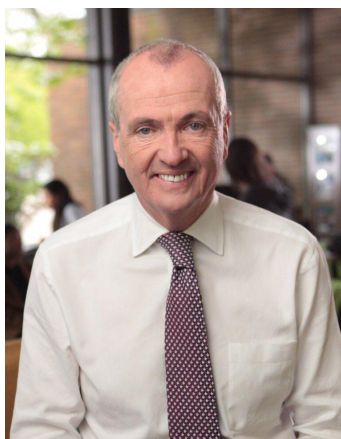
Tammy Snyder Murphy and her husband, Phil, have been owners of Gotham FC since the club's founding in 2008. The Murphys have guided the club through its membership in multiple professional women's leagues, including when Sky Blue FC became a founding member of the National Women's Soccer League in 2013.

Serving as chair of the club, Murphy provides strategic guidance on operational issues and collaborates with management on key personnel decisions.

Over the years, Murphy has worked with nonprofits, a think tank and other organizations focused on the environment, education, women's health, the arts and youth and family services. Tammy worked in finance in the U.S. and Europe and has traveled extensively throughout the world, living overseas in Berlin, Frankfurt, Hong Kong and London. She speaks Italian and is fluent in German.

Murphy has always believed in collaborative problem-solving through coalition-building and personal engagement. It is a central theme of her life, whether running for student office during college, thriving in the competitive and male-dominated finance industry, starting and working with nonprofits or joining the Women's March in Trenton. She is passionate that women and girls receive treatment equal to that of men and boys. Murphy earned a Bachelor of Arts in English and communications at the University of Virginia, where she sits on the university's board of visitors. She also serves as secretary and charter member of The Climate Reality Action Fund, an organization founded by former Vice President Al Gore.

Since January 2018, Murphy has served as the First Lady of the State of New Jersey.



PHIL MURPHY

OWNER

Born in Boston, Phil Murphy and his family have called Monmouth County, New Jersey, home for two decades. A graduate of both Harvard University and the University of Pennsylvania, he made his career in financial services and worked around the world. Since his retirement from business in 2003, he and his wife, Tammy, have immersed themselves in charitable works and public service.

From 2009-13, Phil served with distinction as the United States Ambassador to Germany, appointed by President Barack Obama. He was the board chair of 180 Turning Lives Around, a Monmouth County organization committed to ending domestic and sexual violence.

Along with Tammy, he founded 2nd Floor, a successful teen helpline. He also served as New Jersey's sole representative on the national operating board of the NAACP. Since 2018, Murphy has served as the governor of New Jersey. He and Tammy have been married for 25 years. They have four children.

FOUNDING OWNERS



STEVEN TEMARES

OWNER

Steven Temares was born in the Bronx, New York, and raised in Paramus, New Jersey. He joined the club's ownership group prior to its professional debut in 2009 as a member of the NWSL's predecessor league, Women's Professional Soccer (WPS). In his first year as an owner, Sky Blue won the championship in the inaugural WPS season.

Temares formerly served as CEO of retail giant Bed Bath & Beyond, where he was responsible for day-to-day operations of the company and its subsidiaries for 22 years. He currently serves on the advisory board for Beastcoast, a professional eSports organization that emphasizes gamer interests, well-being and happiness and focuses on celebrating the diversity of the gaming community.

Temares is also a minority owner of Major League Baseball's New York Mets and sits on the team's advisory board.

He earned his Bachelor of Arts in economics from Rutgers University – where he serves on the board of trustees — and his Juris Doctorate from the University of Pennsylvania Law School. Steven and his wife, Amy, have three daughters.

STRATEGIC INVESTORS



SUE BIRD

INVESTOR

Bird has a proven track record of success across her career. Her resume includes a historic five Olympic gold medals, four WNBA championships, four FIBA World Cups, five EuroLeague Women championships and two NCAA championships. She was selected to 13 WNBA All-Star teams, eight All-WNBA teams and was recently voted into the W25 as one of the WNBA's top 25 players of all-time.

An alumnus of the University of Connecticut, Bird was selected first overall by the Seattle Storm in the 2002 WNBA Draft. In June 2022, Bird announced her retirement from her WNBA.

As an investor, Bird acts as a consultant and advisor to boost the club's profile in local, national and international markets. She also collaborates with owner Tammy Murphy, managing owner Ed Nalbandian and club leadership on a variety of initiatives to promote the club and support its players and community.



KEVIN DURANT

INVESTOR

Kevin Durant is an 18-year NBA veteran and forward for the Phoenix Suns. He is a two-time NBA champion and Finals MVP, having also won an NBA MVP award, four NBA scoring titles, three Olympic gold medals, two NBA All-Star Game MVP awards and an NBA Rookie of the Year award. He is also a 15-time NBA All-Star.

Off the court, Durant is co-founder and president of Thirty Five Ventures alongside his business partner Rich Kleiman. Founded in 2017, Thirty Five Ventures incorporates the duo's business entities across sports, tech, media, philanthropy and more.

Thirty Five Ventures' flagship media property is The Boardroom, a sports business platform that includes video interviews, feature stories and infographics, The Boardroom University college program, events, newsletters and podcast network. Other recent Thirty Five Ventures initiatives include the recently debuted BASKETBALL COUNTY: In The Water documentary on SHOWTIME and the upcoming basketball-themed scripted series "SWAGGER" with Imagine Entertainment and Apple; an equity partnership with premium audio brand Master & Dynamic; a minority stake in and consulting agreement with MLS club Philadelphia Union; and the Durant Center, a state-of-the-art educational and leadership facility in Durant's hometown in Prince George's County, Maryland.

The Kevin Durant Charity Foundation's signature programs include Build It and They Will Ball, a global basketball court renovation project with 22 courts completed to date, and The Durant Center, a 10-year, \$10 million program in partnership with College Track that helps low-income and underserved students enroll and graduate from college. Durant received the season-long NBA Cares Community Assist and ESPN Muhammad Ali Sports Humanitarian awards in 2018.

STRATEGIC INVESTORS



ELI MANNING

INVESTOR

Drafted first overall in the 2004 NFL Draft, Eli Manning retired from football in January 2020 after a remarkable 16-season career with the New York Giants. He is a two-time Super Bowl champion and MVP who holds the Giants' franchise records for passing yards, touchdown passes and completions.

In 2016, Manning won the prestigious Walter Payton Man of the Year award for spearheading Hackensack University Medical Center's "Tackle Kids' Cancer" and other children's health initiatives.

As an investor, Manning acts as a consultant and advisor to boost the club's profile in local, national and international markets. He also collaborates with his fellow owners and club leadership on a variety of club initiatives to promote the club and support its players and community.



PETE GUELLI

INVESTOR

Pete Guelli has more than two decades of experience as a professional sports executive. Prior to being named chief commercial officer of the Giants, Guelli served as the senior vice president of the NFL's Buffalo Bills and the chief operating officer of the NBA's Charlotte Hornets.

During his 10-year tenure with Hornets, Guelli oversaw the return of the historic Hornets brand and helped the franchise surpass more than \$1 billion in value.

As an investor in Gotham FC, Guelli's focus is to support the club, its players and fans by working with leadership and his fellow owners to enhance existing efforts to elevate the club's local, national and international profile.

STRATEGIC INVESTORS



RICH KLEIMAN

INVESTOR

Rich Kleiman is the co-founder of Thirty Five Ventures and longtime manager of Kevin Durant. Founded in 2016, Thirty Five Ventures incorporates the duo's business entities across sports, tech, media, philanthropy and more.

The Thirty Five Ventures umbrella includes the sports business media network Boardroom; an investment portfolio with more than 75 companies, including Acorns, Coinbase, Dutchie, Overtime, Dapper Labs/NBA Top Shot, Postmates, OpenSea and more; a film/TV arm with projects including the documentary series *In the Water* (SHOWTIME), the Academy Award-winning *Two Distant Strangers* (Netflix) and the critically acclaimed scripted series "SWAGGER" (Apple TV+); a minority stake in MLS team Philadelphia Union, and management of Kevin Durant's on-and-off court business.

Kleiman also serves as the executive director of the Kevin Durant Charity Foundation, helping oversee the development and expansion of the Durant Center in Maryland's Prince George's County. KDCF has also partnered with the College Track program in its first Washington, D.C. area presence and has built or refurbished more than 25 basketball courts throughout the globe.

Kleiman sits on the board of directors at New Heights Youth, Inc., a nonprofit dedicated to sports-based youth development and education in New York. He is also very active in volunteering and fundraising for Coalition for the Homeless.

In 2013, Kleiman helped launch Roc Nation Sports, where he served as vice president of the sports agency founded by Jay-Z. He worked with athletes such as Victor Cruz, CC Sabathia, Skylar Diggins-Smith, Robinson Cano and more. Kleiman started with Roc Nation in 2008 as a music manager representing artists and DJ/producers like D Nice, Mark Ronson, Solange, Wale and Meek Mill.

Kleiman's career in entertainment began at renowned production company Radical Media, where he was a music supervisor as well as producer on projects such as Jay-Z's feature-length documentary *Fade To Black*.



Sports Illustrated Stadium

Sports Illustrated Stadium is the benchmark in the North American soccer stadium landscape and sets the standard for other venues of its kind across the continent. The 25,000-seat state-of-the-art facility located in Harrison, New Jersey, is the home of Gotham FC of the NWSL and the New York Red Bulls of Major League Soccer.

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In 2024, the stadium hosted 19 Gotham FC matches, highlighted by the club's first-ever home playoff game and a high-profile summer friendly against Chelsea FC.



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QUICK FACTS

ADDRESS: 600 Cape May Street, Harrison, N.J.

OPENED: March 2010

CAPACITY: 25,000

FIELD SIZE: 120 yards x 75 yards

PLAYING SURFACE: Kentucky bluegrass



RED BULLS TRAINING FACILITY

Red Bulls Training Facility is the world-class home for training sessions of Gotham FC, the New York Red Bulls of MLS, New York Red Bulls II and Red Bulls Academy teams. The facility has hosted various national teams and other club teams, including the United States Men's National Team, Mexico Men's National Team and Inter Milan.





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