



36. Jarvis Varnado

NBA Projected Position: Power Forward/Center

College: Mississippi State (Senior)

Date of Birth: March 1, 1988 (22 years old)

Height/Weight: 6'10" / 210 lbs.

Handed: Right

NBA Comparison: Theo Ratliff

Season Averages														
SEASON	TEAM	MIN	PTS	REB	AST	TO	A/T	STL	BLK	PF	FG%	FT%	3P%	PPS
2006-2007	MSST	13.5	5.0	4.2	.3	.5	.58	.3	1.9	2.1	.647	.533	.000	1.50
2007-2008	MSST	28.5	7.9	7.8	.5	1.2	.44	.5	4.6	2.9	.641	.500	.500	1.58
2008-2009	MSST	28.1	12.9	8.8	.8	1.7	.47	.6	4.7	2.3	.549	.654	.000	1.41
2009-2010	MSST	31.7	13.8	10.3	.9	2.0	.45	.7	4.7	2.4	.582	.610	.000	1.57

Finishing	Low Post Offense	Face Up Offense	Jump Shot	Free Throws	Passing	Defense	Off Rebounding	Def Rebounding	Athleticism	Conditioning	Size for Position	Length	Strength	Quickness	Speed	NBA Ready	Potential	Basketball IQ	Intangibles	Overall
6	6	5	5	6	2	10	9	10	8	7	8	10	6	8	8	7	6	8	8	7.15

Strengths

- Size and wingspan
- Intimidator
- Defense
- Shot blocker
- Good rebounder

- Quickness
- Good athlete

Weaknesses

- Offensive polish
- Lack of post moves
- Not much range
- Free throws
- Needs to add muscle
- Just a defensive specialist?
- Passing

Jarvis Varnado is entering this draft as the most decorated shot blocker in college basketball history. Varnado will help a team right away due to his ability to defend his position and rebounding. He is a good athlete and has the lateral quickness to be an effective help side defender. Varnado also has a 7'3.5" wingspan. He has continued to get better offensively each year at Mississippi State. Offensively, he is an efficient player that stays within himself.

Despite those improvements, Varnado is not very polished offensively. He does not possess an effective counter post move. He never displayed range in college and his shooting percentages at the free throw line indicate his lack of range. An area in which Varnado has never shown much improvement is his passing. Though his offense may never require consistent double teams, he will need to get better as a passer. Additionally, Varnado needs to get stronger. DeMarcus Cousins was able to get Varnado in foul trouble due to his strength and knack of getting position in the post.