Scouting MIA · from Sacramento's side

Miami Heat

2026-27: 9 games (Oct 21 vs MIN · Oct 23 vs DET · Oct 24 @ CHA · Oct 26 vs DAL · Oct 28 @ ATL · Oct 30 vs IND · Nov 2 @ LAL · Nov 4 @ LAC · Nov 5 @ GSW) · baseline 2025-26 regular season

MIA @ SAC
Sun Nov 8, 2026 · 9:00 PM ET
Game 0022600202

INJURY REPORT & SCHEDULE · official report of 2026-11-08, read 2026-11-09 00:49 UTC; statuses as listed, no reasons

MIA	Tre Donaldson: Out	Vladislav Goldin: Out			
SAC	Ben Simmons: Out	Jonathan Mogbo: Out	Maxime Raynaud: Out	Sean Pedulla: Out	Domantas Sabonis: Questionable

MIA: 2 days of rest, previous game Nov 5 @ GSW.

IN TEN SECONDS

1. **Last season: 3rd-most paint attempts (52%), 5th-fewest fouls (18.9/g), 2nd-most transition (14%), 4th-fewest turnovers (13.3/100). Through 9 games the profile has moved: paint-attempt share 52% → 45%; shooting-foul share 54% → 45% (811 trials; each clears the flag rule).**
2. **Scoring last season: G. Antetokounmpo 27.6/g (27.3 so far), B. Adebayo 20.1/g (18.6 so far), A. Wiggins 15.4/g (8.6 so far).**

TEAM KEYS

- Also moved through 9 games (188 trials): shooting-foul share 54% → 45%. Small sample, but each clears the flag rule.
- Paint team last season: 52% paint attempts (3rd most); 41% 3PA share (18th of 30). Through 9 games: paint-attempt share 52% → 45%. Chase Thompson 38%, Hardaway Jr. 41%, Wiggins 41%, Fontecchio 38%, Portis 46%; wall up on Antetokounmpo, Larsson, Smith, Richards.
- Pace: 102.3 possessions per game (1st fastest).
- They run: 14% of FGA in transition (2nd most). Sprint back, build the wall early, no leak-outs.
- They take care of the ball: 13.3 TO per 100 (4th fewest). Don't gamble for steals.
- Disciplined: 18.9 fouls per game (5th fewest). Don't count on free throws; earn them in the paint.

STARTERS · LAST GAME

2 Davion Mitchell

G · 6-0 · age 28 · 5 yrs · STARTED LAST GAME

25-26 MIA · 70 GP · 28.6 MPG · 9.3 pts · 2.7 reb · 6.5 ast · 39.5% 3P on 3.3 3PA · 64% FT
26-27 9 GP · 35.0 MPG · 16.1 pts · 1.6 reb · 8.2 ast · 41% 3P on 5.4 3PA

3P% **excellent** · Rim FG% **below average** · Ball security **bad** · Gets to line **bad**

- Pressure him: 16.0 TO per 100 usage (bad, 11th pct), 46% of them bad passes; 24 TO in 9 games so far. Hands in the lanes; 6.5 AST/g, so stay home on shooters when he drives.
- Knockdown 3: 39.5% on 3.3/g (83rd pct). No help off him; run him off the line.
- Downhill driver: 46% of his shots are drives at 57% (94th pct). Show early help, wall up, make him pass.

7 Giannis Antetokounmpo

F · 6-11 · age 31 · 13 yrs · STARTED LAST GAME · NEW · MIL LAST SEASON

25-26 MIL · 36 GP · 28.9 MPG · 27.6 pts · 9.8 reb · 5.4 ast · 33.3% 3P on 1.2 3PA · 65% FT
26-27 9 GP · 32.7 MPG · 27.3 pts · 12.7 reb · 5.6 ast · 21% 3P on 2.7 3PA

Rim FG% **elite** · FT% **bad** · Ball security **below average** · Gets to line **elite**

- Lives at the line: 0.60 FTA per FGA (elite, 99th pct), 8.1 fouls drawn/g, 65% FT. Verticality, hands back, no reach.
- Elite finisher: 76% at the rim (95th pct) on 414 attempts, 69% of his shots. No free runs; build the wall early.
- New this season: share of FGA from Restricted Area down, 69% -> 56% (166 trials 2026-27 regular season to date; 2025-26 regular season baseline).

13 Bam Adebayo

C-F · 6-9 · age 29 · 9 yrs · STARTED LAST GAME

25-26 MIA · 73 GP · 32.4 MPG · 20.1 pts · 10.0 reb · 3.2 ast · 31.8% 3P on 5.5 3PA · 78% FT
26-27 9 GP · 32.6 MPG · 18.6 pts · 8.4 reb · 3.1 ast · 18% 3P on 3.1 3PA

3P% **bad** · Rim FG% **good** · FT% **average** · Ball security **elite** · Gets to line **excellent**

- Doesn't turn it over: 8.3 TO per 100 usage (91st pct). Don't gamble for steals; play him straight up.
- New this season: 3PA share of FGA down, 35% -> 24% (117 trials 2026-27 regular season to date; 2025-26 regular season baseline).
- Lives at the line: 0.37 FTA per FGA (excellent, 87th pct), 4.6 fouls drawn/g, 78% FT. Verticality, hands back, no reach.

22 Andrew Wiggins

F · 6-6 · age 31 · 12 yrs · STARTED LAST GAME

25-26 MIA · 68 GP · 30.3 MPG · 15.4 pts · 4.8 reb · 2.7 ast · 41.4% 3P on 4.9 3PA · 78% FT
26-27 9 GP · 25.9 MPG · 8.6 pts · 3.1 reb · 1.7 ast · 30% 3P on 4.1 3PA

3P% **elite** · Rim FG% **average** · FT% **average** · Ball security **good** · Gets to line **below average**

- New this season: share of FGA from Restricted Area down, 29% -> 16% (76 trials 2026-27 regular season to date; 2025-26 regular season baseline).
- Knockdown 3: 41.4% on 4.9/g (93rd pct). No help off him; run him off the line.

11 Klay Thompson

G-F · 6-5 · age 36 · 15 yrs · STARTED LAST GAME · NEW · DAL LAST SEASON

25-26 DAL · 69 GP · 21.7 MPG · 11.7 pts · 2.1 reb · 1.4 ast · 38.3% 3P on 7.6 3PA · 77% FT
26-27 9 GP · 23.7 MPG · 13.8 pts · 1.6 reb · 1.7 ast · 41% 3P on 8.9 3PA

3P% **good** · Ball security **elite** · Gets to line **bad**

- Doesn't get to the line: 0.07 FTA per FGA (2nd pct). Be physical; the whistle is quiet.
- Doesn't turn it over: 7.8 TO per 100 usage (94th pct). Don't gamble for steals; play him straight up.
- Knockdown 3: 38.3% on 7.6/g (72nd pct). No help off him; run him off the line.

BENCH

9 Pelle Larsson G · 6-5 · age 25 · 2 yrs

25-26 MIA · 70 GP · 26.4 MPG · 11.4 pts · 3.5 reb · 3.4 ast · 32.3% 3P on 2.7 3PA · 80% FT
26-27 9 GP · 30.2 MPG · 11.1 pts · 3.1 reb · 3.8 ast · 40% 3P on 2.8 3PA

3P% **bad** Rim FG% **good** FT% **above average** Ball security **below average** Gets to line **elite**

- Lives at the line: 0.41 FTA per FGA (elite, 91st pct), 3.2 fouls drawn/g, 80% FT. Verticality, hands back, no reach.
- Low-volume, 32.3% from 3 (2.7/g): help off him in the gaps.
- Corner specialist: 39% from the corners (51 att), 30% above the break (141). No help off the corners; help off him on top.

95 Bobby Portis Jr. F · 6-10 · age 31 · 11 yrs NEW · MIL LAST SEASON

25-26 MIL · 67 GP · 24.2 MPG · 13.7 pts · 6.4 reb · 1.6 ast · 45.6% 3P on 4.4 3PA · 71% FT
26-27 9 GP · 20.8 MPG · 7.3 pts · 6.9 reb · 1.9 ast · 33% 3P on 4.0 3PA

3P% **elite** Rim FG% **below average** Ball security **elite** Gets to line **bad**

- Doesn't get to the line: 0.09 FTA per FGA (3rd pct). Be physical; the whistle is quiet.
- Doesn't turn it over: 7.8 TO per 100 usage (94th pct). Don't gamble for steals; play him straight up.
- New this season: 3PA share of FGA up, 40% -> 55% (66 trials 2026-27 regular season to date; 2025-26 regular season baseline).

10 Tim Hardaway Jr. G · 6-5 · age 34 · 13 yrs NEW · DEN LAST SEASON

25-26 DEN · 80 GP · 26.6 MPG · 13.5 pts · 2.6 reb · 1.4 ast · 40.8% 3P on 6.9 3PA · 81% FT
26-27 9 GP · 15.3 MPG · 5.1 pts · 1.4 reb · 0.7 ast · 24% 3P on 4.1 3PA

3P% **excellent** FT% **above average** Ball security **elite** Gets to line **above average**

- Doesn't turn it over: 4.7 TO per 100 usage (99th pct). Don't gamble for steals; play him straight up.
- Knockdown 3: 40.8% on 6.9/g (89th pct). No help off him; run him off the line.

5 Nikola Jović F · 6-10 · age 23 · 4 yrs

25-26 MIA · 47 GP · 17.2 MPG · 7.3 pts · 3.3 reb · 2.2 ast · 26.8% 3P on 3.6 3PA · 68% FT
26-27 7 GP · 12.2 MPG · 2.4 pts · 2.6 reb · 1.0 ast · 1/10 3P

3P% **bad** FT% **bad** Ball security **bad** Gets to line **good**

- New this season: drive family share of FGA down, 33% -> 5% (20 trials 2026-27 regular season to date; 2025-26 regular season baseline).
- Pressure him: 15.3 TO per 100 usage (bad, 16th pct), 43% of them bad passes; 3 TO in 7 games so far. Hands in the lanes.
- Volume 3s at 26.8%, 3.6/g (3rd pct): make him shoot contested, no fly-bys.

4 Ryan Conwell G · 6-2 · age 22 · rookie

25-26 – · 0 GP · – MPG · – pts · – reb · – ast · – 3P on – 3PA · – FT
26-27 7 GP · 10.2 MPG · 3.9 pts · 0.7 reb · 1.0 ast · 6/15 3P

12 Dru Smith G · 6-2 · age 28 · 4 yrs

25-26 MIA · 70 GP · 16.3 MPG · 5.6 pts · 2.5 reb · 2.6 ast · 29.5% 3P on 1.8 3PA · 83% FT
26-27 6 GP · 8.3 MPG · 2.5 pts · 1.0 reb · 1.3 ast · 3/6 3P

3P% **bad** Rim FG% **bad** FT% **good** Ball security **below average** Gets to line **good**

- Poor finisher: 59% at the rim (bad, 12th pct) on 102 attempts. Meet him at the rim; verticality, no fouls.
- Low-volume, 29.5% from 3 (1.8/g): help off him in the gaps.

0 Simone Fontecchio F · 6-7 · age 30 · 4 yrs DID NOT PLAY LAST GAME

25-26 MIA · 70 GP · 16.8 MPG · 8.5 pts · 3.0 reb · 1.4 ast · 37.6% 3P on 4.7 3PA · 84% FT
26-27 4 GP · 3.1 MPG · 0.8 pts · 0.5 reb · 0.0 ast · 1/6 3P

3P% **good** FT% **excellent** Ball security **excellent** Gets to line **below average**

- Doesn't turn it over: 8.7 TO per 100 usage (87th pct). Don't gamble for steals; play him straight up.
- Knockdown 3: 37.6% on 4.7/g (67th pct). No help off him; run him off the line.

8 Nick Richards C · 6-11 · age 28 · 6 yrs NEW · CHI/PHX LAST SEASON FOUL TARGET

25-26 CHI/PHX · 48 GP · 14.6 MPG · 5.8 pts · 5.1 reb · 0.3 ast · 27.8% 3P on 0.4 3PA · 64% FT
26-27 5 GP · 2.0 MPG · 1.4 pts · 0.4 reb · 0.2 ast · 1/1 3P

Rim FG% **bad** FT% **bad** Ball security **bad**

- Pressure him: 19.4 TO per 100 usage (bad, 3rd pct), 25% of them bad passes; 1 TO in 5 games so far. Hands in the lanes.
- Poor finisher: 60% at the rim (bad, 16th pct) on 128 attempts. Meet him at the rim; verticality, no fouls.
- Non-shooter (0.4 3PA/g): sag off him and help from him; no closeouts needed.
- Foul-prone: 4.5 PF per 36 (2025-26 regular season). Attack him early; get him to two.

15 Myron Gardner F · 6-5 · age 25 · 1 yrs FOUL TARGET

25-26 MIA · 45 GP · 9.1 MPG · 3.6 pts · 2.7 reb · 1.0 ast · 40.6% 3P on 1.4 3PA · 73% FT
26-27 5 GP · 2.0 MPG · 0.8 pts · 0.6 reb · 0.2 ast · 0/0 3P

- Non-shooter (1.4 3PA/g, 41% from 3): go under screens, help off him.
- Crashes the glass (3.4 OREB per 36): hit him first, then go get it.
- Foul-prone: 6.8 PF per 36 (2025-26 regular season). Attack him early; get him to two.

Not seen yet: K. Johnson (#16 F, MIA 8.7 MPG last season), V. Goldin (#50 C, MIA 2.7 MPG last season), T. Donaldson (#24 G).

GAME PLAN BOXES

FOUL HIM LATE (FT)

- **N. Richards** — 64% FT (101 FTA, 7th pct)
- **G. Antetokounmpo** — 65% FT (357 FTA, 8th pct), 17/26 in clutch
- **N. Jović** — 68% FT (101 FTA, 13th pct)
- Don't foul: S. Fontecchio 84% FT; D. Smith 83% FT; T. Hardaway Jr. 81% FT

FOUL TROUBLE

- **N. Richards** — 4.5 PF per 36 (2025-26 regular season). Attack him early; get him to two
- **M. Gardner** — 6.8 PF per 36 (2025-26 regular season). Attack him early; get him to two

SHOT PROFILE · ZONES AND DIET

SHOT ZONES · SHARE OF FGA, FG%

	25-26	FG%	26-27	FG%
Restricted area	30%	66%	28%	64%
Paint (non-RA)	21%	44%	17%	56%
Mid-range	8%	38%	11%	39%
Corner 3	11%	38%	13%	34%
Above the break 3	30%	36%	31%	32%

SHOT DIET · SHARE OF FGA, FG%

	25-26	FG%	26-27	FG%
Pull-ups	13%	39%	16%	44%
Drives	34%	55%	28%	59%
Finishes	9%	69%	8%	59%
Catch-and-shoot 3s	29%	36%	31%	34%
Other shots	15%	43%	16%	44%

Zones from the play-by-play (corner 3s merged), FG% on those attempts. Diet from the shot descriptors: pull-ups (pull-ups and step-backs), drives (2s driving or on the run), finishes (cuts, putbacks, alley-oops, tips), catch-and-shoot 3s (3s with no descriptor: a proxy, the feed records no touch time), other shots (turnarounds, fadeaways, floaters and every other move, and 2s with no descriptor). Bars: last season's share of FGA.

7 player rates flagged as changed from last season (bullets starting 'New this season'); 2 team-level (under Team keys).

ROTATION · LAST SEASON RATES

#	PLAYER	MIN 26-27	MPG 25-26	FGA/G	3PA SHARE	3P%	RA SHARE	RA FG%	FT%	PULL-UP SHARE	DRIVE SHARE	C&S 3 SHARE	AST'D SHARE	TO/100 USAGE	FTA/FGA	PF/36	FOULS DRAWN/G	FLAGS
2	D. Mitchell	315.4	28.6	7.6	43%	39.5%	29%	64%	64%	18%	46%	68%	52%	16.0	0.12	3.3	1.2	0
7	G. Antetokounmpo	294.2	28.9	16.6	8%	33.3%	69%	76%	65%	13%	51%	56%	49%	13.2	0.60	3.0	8.1	2
13	B. Adebayo	293.7	32.4	15.7	35%	31.8%	26%	68%	78%	14%	23%	82%	70%	8.3	0.37	1.9	4.6	2
9	P. Larsson	271.4	26.4	8.0	34%	32.3%	40%	69%	80%	4%	46%	86%	72%	13.3	0.41	2.9	3.2	0
22	A. Wiggins	232.7	30.3	12.1	41%	41.4%	29%	65%	78%	14%	27%	77%	63%	10.3	0.20	2.7	1.9	1
11	K. Thompson	212.9	21.7	10.6	72%	38.3%	7%	58%	77%	26%	6%	65%	90%	7.8	0.07	1.7	0.4	0
95	B. Portis	186.9	24.2	11.2	40%	45.6%	15%	62%	71%	10%	14%	90%	76%	7.8	0.09	2.4	1.0	1
10	T. Hardaway Jr.	137.6	26.6	9.7	71%	40.8%	11%	62%	81%	23%	13%	66%	85%	4.7	0.25	1.7	1.9	0
5	N. Jović	85.2	17.2	6.7	53%	26.8%	26%	60%	68%	6%	33%	83%	78%	15.3	0.32	2.9	1.8	1
4	R. Conwell	71.7	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	0
12	D. Smith	50.0	16.3	4.6	40%	29.5%	31%	59%	83%	7%	44%	77%	59%	12.9	0.32	3.4	1.3	0
0	S. Fontecchio	12.4	16.8	6.7	70%	37.6%	20%	58%	84%	11%	20%	72%	87%	8.7	0.22	3.2	0.8	0
8	N. Richards	10.1	14.6	4.2	9%	27.8%	64%	60%	64%	0%	14%	100%	74%	19.4	0.50	4.5	1.7	0
15	M. Gardner	10.1	9.1	2.7	52%	40.6%	36%	61%	73%	9%	30%	83%	70%	11.2	0.21	6.8	0.5	0

HOW TO READ IT

Baseline = 2025-26 regular season (82 games; a player's baseline covers every game he played, with any team). Recent = 2026-27 (9 games). For each rate, shrink the recent proportion toward the baseline with a Beta prior of strength m (empirical-Bayes flavour): p1_shrunk = (k1 + m*p0)/(n1 + m), with m = 60 for shot-diet / zone / assisted shares, m = 250 for FG%-type rates (rim FG%, 3P%; 3P% needs ~750 attempts to stabilize, so a 10-game 3P% is almost never flaggable by design), m = 60 for turnover rate. FLAG when |p1_shrunk - p0| >= 0.06 AND |z| >= 2.0 where z = (k1/n1 - p0)/sqrt(p0*(1-p0)/n1) (raw recent proportion against the baseline proportion, SE from p0) AND n1 >= 15 recent trials. Here the windows are disjoint.

Grades are words on one scale: elite ≥ 90th percentile, excellent 75–89, good 60–74, above average 50–59, average 40–49, below average 25–39, bad < 25. Shooting and ball-security percentiles are computed from the play-by-play among qualified players (3P% 100+ 3PA, rim FG% 100+ restricted-area attempts, FT% 75+ FTA, rates per FGA 300+ FGA, ball security 300+ usage events). Starters are the players who started the team's last game. Statuses are the official injury report's, as listed, with the report's date and the time it was read, never a reason; a carded player listed at either of the two most serious statuses keeps his card but leaves the free-throw and foul boxes. Every sentence above is produced from these numbers by fixed templates.

Computed by NightlyHoops from play-by-play and box scores of regular-season games, and the league's official injury report (statuses only). Data collected 2026-11-09; report built 2026-11-09 00:49 UTC.