

With the NBA Draft just one week from today, it's time to crank up the coverage. The Cavs have three selections this year, including #25 overall. With needs at point guard and in the frontcourt, which direction will the team go in? I scoured the net, providing links to 16 different mock drafts, as well as extracting their predictions on what the Cavs will do at #25. Enjoy.



<http://www.nbadraft.net/>

25. Cleveland Cavaliers – Shawne Williams, SF Memphis (6-9, 225, Frosh)

Strengths: Has tremendous versatility, at 6-9 Shawne can play from the 1-thru-4 positions ... Advanced offensive game, really understands how to play ... Great one on one skills offensively ... Great vision, passing skills ... Good ball handler, almost second nature ... Can create for himself or others off the dribble drive ... Consistent jump shot, with range out to three point ... A highlight reel waiting to happen ... Extremely long wingspan makes him a terrific rebounder and shot blocker ... Good competitor, doesn't back down from a challenge, as he showed squaring off with Adam Morrison after being pushed ... His body is not far from being NBA ready ...

Weaknesses: Low-release point on his jumper could cause problems at the next level ... Will need to develop better defensive technique, more intensity ... Quickness is very good, but won't stand out on the next level ... Still must add strength and conditioning ...

NBA Comparison: Walt Williams

Notes: Played a fifth year at Laurenburg Prep which gave him great experience and developed his skill level heading into college ...

<http://www.hoopshype.com/draft.htm>

25. Cleveland Cavaliers – Mardy Collins, PG Temple (6-5, 205, Sr)

Highly versatile and fundamentally sound ballhandling type who can play the 1, the 2, or the 3. Temple's main point guard, played all 40 minutes for them more often than not. Tough and unselfish, controls the tempo, and plays with lots of poise. Terrific off the ball defender. Not an incredible athlete or outside shooter. Temple's archaic system limited his numbers, but will be a better pro than college player.

<http://cbs.sportsline.com/nba/story/9459207>

25. Cleveland Cavaliers - Leon Powe, PF, California (6-7, 245, Soph)

The Cavs clearly could use a low-post threat, and Powe, despite claims he's undersized, would provide one. Knee concerns might keep him from being a lottery pick, but this guy is simply a player, and Cleveland would be lucky to have him. He simply knows how to use his body to be effective, and his will to succeed is unmatched.

<http://cbs.sportsline.com/nba/story/9459496>

25. Cleveland Cavaliers – Shawne Williams, SF Memphis (6-9, 225, Frosh)

Sort of a combo-forward, and combo-forwards aren't destined to star in the NBA. Is he better than Rodney White? Probably. Better than Marvin Williams? No way.

<http://sportsillustrated.cnn.com/2006/basketball/nba/05/24/mock.draft2/index.html>

25. Cleveland Cavaliers – Josh Boone, PF Connecticut (6-10, 250, Jr)

He has lacked consistency, but Boone can be the same type of energetic frontcourt player that Anderson Varejao has become for Cleveland. Boone is long and with some time in the weight room should be a good post defender.

<http://www.fanball.com/ph/article.cfm/ID.6541>

25. Cleveland Cavaliers – Jordan Farmar, PG UCLA (6-2, 180, Soph)

OUR LAST MOCK: Farmar

RATIONALE: Cleveland is desperate for an athletic ball-handler who can hit a jumper (unlike Snow) and isn't afraid to compete on the defensive side of the floor (unlike Damon Jones).

ALSO CONSIDERED: Daniel Gibson

<http://probasketball.about.com/od/nbadraft/a/nbamockdraft061.htm>

25. Cleveland Cavaliers -- Jordan Farmar,
PG UCLA (6-2, 180, Soph)

<http://www.insidehoops.com/nba-mock-draft.shtml>

25. Cleveland Cavaliers - Kyle Lowry,
PG Villanova (6-0, 185, Soph)

<http://www.collegehoopsnet.com/Draft/mockdraft.htm>

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Farmar, PG UCLA (6-2, 180, Soph)

http://www.nbawire.com/mock_draft.html

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<http://sports.yahoo.com/nba/news?slug=rivals-2006nbamockdraft&prov=rivals&type=ign>
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25. Cleveland Cavaliers - Shannon Brown, SG Michigan State (6-4, 205, Jr)

<http://sports.yahoo.com/nba/mockdraft?round=1>

25. Cleveland Cavaliers -
Mardy Collins, PG Temple (6-5,
205, Sr)

<http://www.hoopsworld.com/DRAFT.shtml>

Four writers submitted mocks
for Hoopsworld:

25. Cleveland Cavaliers –

Rudy Fernandez, PG Spain
(6-6, 172, no school)

25. Cleveland Cavaliers –
Paul Davis, PF Michigan
State (6-11, 267, Jr)

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– Jordan Farmar, PG
UCLA (6-2, 180, Soph)

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- Rudy Fernandez, PG
Spain (6-6, 172, no
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