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Paul warming up before the 2022 NBA All-Star Game

No. 3 - San Antonio Spurs

Position [Point guard](#)

League [NBA](#)

Personal information

Born May 6, 1985 (age 39)
[Winston-Salem, North Carolina, USA](#)^[a]

Listed height 185 cm (6 ft 1 in)

Listed weight 79 kg (174 lb)

Career information

High school [West Forsyth](#)
([Clemmons, North Carolina](#))

College [Wake Forest](#) (2003–2005)

NBA draft [2005](#) / Round: 1 / Pick: 4th overall

Selected by the [New Orleans Hornets](#)

Playing career 2005–present

Career history

[2005–2011](#) [New Orleans Hornets](#)^[b]

[2011–2017](#) [Los Angeles Clippers](#)

[2017–2019](#) [Houston Rockets](#)

[2019–2020](#) [Oklahoma City Thunder](#)

[2020–2023](#) [Phoenix Suns](#)

[2023–present](#) [Golden State Warriors](#)

Career highlights and awards

- 11× [NBA All-Star](#) ([2008–2016](#), [2020](#), [2021](#))
- [NBA All-Star Game MVP](#) ([2013](#))
- 4× [All-NBA First Team](#) ([2008](#), [2012–2014](#))
- 5× [All-NBA Second Team](#) ([2009](#), [2015](#), [2016](#), [2020](#), [2021](#))
- [All-NBA Third Team](#) ([2011](#))
- 7× [NBA All-Defensive First Team](#) ([2009](#), [2012–2017](#))
- 2× [NBA All-Defensive Second Team](#) ([2008](#), [2011](#))
- [NBA Rookie of the Year](#) ([2006](#))

- [NBA All-Rookie First Team](#) (2006)
- 4× [NBA assists leader](#) (2008, 2009, 2014, 2015)
- 6× [NBA steals leader](#) (2008, 2009, 2011–2014)
- [NBA 75th Anniversary Team](#)
- Consensus first-team [All-American](#) (2005)
- First-team [All-ACC](#) (2005)
- Third-team All-ACC (2004)
- [ACC Rookie of the Year](#) (2004)
- No. 3 [retired by Wake Forest Demon Deacons](#)
- [USA Basketball Male Athlete of the Year](#) (2004)
- First-team [Parade All-American](#) (2003)
- [McDonald's All-American](#) (2003)
- [North Carolina Mr. Basketball](#) (2003)

Stats at NBA.com

Stats at Basketball-Reference.com

Medals		
Men's basketball		
Representing United States		
Olympic Games		
Gold medal – first place	2008 Beijing	Team competition
Gold medal – first place	2012 London	Team competition
FIBA World Championship		
Bronze medal – third place	2006 Japan	Team competition

Christopher Emmanuel Paul (born May 6, 1985) is a professional [basketball](#) player who currently plays [point guard](#) for the [San Antonio Spurs](#) of the [National Basketball Association](#) (NBA).^[3] He has also played for the [New Orleans Hornets](#), [Los Angeles Clippers](#), [Houston Rockets](#), [Oklahoma City Thunder](#), [Golden State Warriors](#) and [Phoenix Suns](#). His nickname is **CP3**. In 2008, Paul won an Olympic gold medal as part of the United States basketball team.

Paul played [college basketball](#) at [Wake Forest University](#).

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Notes

1. ↑ Some sources say Paul was born in [Lewisville, North Carolina](#),^[1] while others say he was born in [Winston-Salem, North Carolina](#).^[2]
2. ↑ During the 2005–06 and 2006–07 seasons, the team was known as the New Orleans/Oklahoma City Hornets during their [temporary relocation to Oklahoma City due to Hurricane Katrina](#).

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