**Brian Lara**

**Brian Charles Lara**, [TC](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Trinity_Cross), [OCC](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Order_of_the_Caribbean_Community), [AM](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Honorary_Member_of_the_Order_of_Australia) (born 2 May 1969) is a [Trinidadian](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Trinidadian) former international [cricketer](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cricket), widely acknowledged as one of the greatest batsmen of all time. He topped the [Test](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Test_cricket) batting [rankings](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/LG_ICC_cricket_ratings) on several occasions and holds several cricketing records, including the record for the highest individual score in [first-class cricket](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/First-class_cricket), with 501 not out for [Warwickshire](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Warwickshire_County_Cricket_Club) against [Durham](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Durham_County_Cricket_Club) at [Edgbaston](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Edgbaston_Cricket_Ground) in 1994, which is the only quintuple-hundred in first-class cricket history. Lara also holds the record for the highest individual score in a Test innings after scoring 400 not out against England at [Antigua](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Antigua) in 2004. Lara also shares the record of scoring the highest number of runs in a single over in a Test match, when he scored 28 runs off an over by [Robin Peterson](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Robin_Peterson) of South Africa in 2003 (matched in 2013 by Australia's [George Bailey](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/George_Bailey_(cricketer)) and in 2020 by South Africa's [Keshav Maharaj](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Keshav_Maharaj" \o "Keshav Maharaj)).

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| **Full name** | Brian Charles Lara |
| **Born** | 2 May 1969 (age 51) [Santa Cruz](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Santa_Cruz,_Trinidad_and_Tobago), Trinidad and Tobago |
| **Height** | 5 ft 8 in (1.73 m) |
| **Batting** | Left-handed |
| **Bowling** | Right-arm [leg break](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Leg_spin) |
| **Role** | [Batsman](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Batsman) |
| **Relations** | [Darren Bravo](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Darren_Bravo) (nephew) |
| **International information** | |
| **National side** | * [West Indies](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/West_Indies_cricket_team) (1990–2007) |
| **Test debut (cap**[**196**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_West_Indies_Test_cricketers)**)** | 6 December 1990 v [Pakistan](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pakistan_national_cricket_team) |
| **Last Test** | 27 November 2006 v [Pakistan](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pakistan_national_cricket_team) |
| **ODI debut (cap**[**59**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_West_Indies_ODI_cricketers)**)** | 9 November 1990 v [Pakistan](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pakistan_national_cricket_team) |
| **Last ODI** | 21 April 2007 v [England](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/England_cricket_team) |
| **ODI shirt no.** | 9 |
| **Domestic team information** | |
| **Years** | **Team** |
| 1987–2008 | [Trinidad and Tobago](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Trinidad_and_Tobago_national_cricket_team) |
| 1992–1993 | [Transvaal](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Northern_Transvaal_cricket_team) |
| 1994–1998 | [Warwickshire](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Warwickshire_County_Cricket_Club) |
| 2010 | [Southern Rocks](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Southern_Rocks) |
| **Career statistics** | |
| |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **Competition** | [**Test**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Test_cricket) | [**ODI**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/One_Day_International) | [**FC**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/First-class_cricket) | [**LA**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_A_cricket) | | **Matches** | 131 | 299 | 261 | 429 | | **Runs scored** | 11,953 | 10,405 | 22,156 | 14,602 | | [**Batting average**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Batting_average_(cricket)) | 52.88 | 40.48 | 51.88 | 39.67 | | **100s/50s** | 34/48 | 19/63 | 65/88 | 27/86 | | **Top score** | 400[\*](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Not_out) | 169 | 501[\*](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Not_out) | 169 | | [**Balls**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Delivery_(cricket))**bowled** | 60 | 49 | 514 | 130 | | [**Wickets**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wicket) | – | 4 | 4 | 5 | | [**Bowling average**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bowling_average) | – | 15.25 | 104.00 | 29.80 | | [**5 wickets in innings**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Five-wicket_haul) | – | 0 | 0 | 0 | | **10 wickets in match** | – | 0 | 0 | 0 | | **Best bowling** | – | 2/5 | 1/1 | 2/5 | | **Catches/[stumpings](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Stumped" \o "Stumped)** | 164/– | 120/– | 320/– | 177/– | | |

Ricky Ponting

**Ricky Thomas Ponting** [AO](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Officer_of_the_Order_of_Australia) (born 19 December 1974) is an Australian cricket coach, commentator, and former [cricketer](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cricket). He is considered the most successful captain in international cricket history, with 220 victories in 324 matches with a winning ratio of 67.91%. Ponting was captain of the [Australian national team](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Australia_national_cricket_team) during its 'golden era'; between 2004 and 2011 in [Tests](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Test_cricket) and 2002 and 2011 in [One Day Internationals](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/One_Day_International) (ODIs). He is a specialist right-handed [batsman](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Batting_(cricket)), an excellent slip / close catching fielder, as well as a very occasional [bowler](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bowling_(cricket)). He was named "Cricketer of the Decade 2000"

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| **Full name** | Ricky Thomas Ponting |
| **Born** | 19 December 1974 (age 45)[[1]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ricky_Ponting#cite_note-cricket.com.au-1) [Launceston, Tasmania](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Launceston,_Tasmania), Australia[[1]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ricky_Ponting#cite_note-cricket.com.au-1) |
| **Nickname** | Punter |
| **Height** | 1.78[[1]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ricky_Ponting#cite_note-cricket.com.au-1) m (5 ft 10 in) |
| **Batting** | Right-handed |
| **Bowling** | Right arm medium |
| **Role** | [Batsman](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Batsman) |
| **Relations** | [Greg Campbell](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Greg_Campbell_(cricketer)) (uncle) |
| **International information** | |
| **National side** | * [Australia](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Australia_national_cricket_team) (1995–2012) |
| **Test debut (cap**[**366**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_Australia_Test_cricketers)**)** | 8 December 1995 v [Sri Lanka](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sri_Lanka_national_cricket_team) |
| **Last Test** | 3 December 2012 v [South Africa](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/South_Africa_national_cricket_team) |
| **ODI debut (cap**[**123**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_Australia_ODI_cricketers)**)** | 15 February 1995 v [South Africa](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/South_Africa_national_cricket_team) |
| **Last ODI** | 19 February 2012 v [India](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/India_national_cricket_team) |
| **ODI shirt no.** | 14 |
| **Domestic team information** | |
| **Years** | **Team** |
| 1992/93–2012/13 | [Tasmania](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tasmanian_cricket_team) |
| 2004 | [Somerset](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Somerset_County_Cricket_Club) |
| 2008 | [Kolkata Knight Riders](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kolkata_Knight_Riders) |
| 2011/12–2012/13 | [Hobart Hurricanes](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hobart_Hurricanes) |
| 2013 | [Mumbai Indians](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mumbai_Indians) *(squad no. 14)* |
| 2013 | [Surrey](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Surrey_County_Cricket_Club) |
| 2013 | [Antigua Hawksbills](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Antigua_Hawksbills) |
| **Career statistics** | |
| |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **Competition** | [**Test**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Test_cricket) | [**ODI**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/One_Day_International) | [**FC**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/First-class_cricket) | [**LA**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_A_cricket) | | **Matches** | 168 | 375 | 289 | 456 | | **Runs scored** | 13,378 | 13,704 | 24,150 | 16,363 | | [**Batting average**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Batting_average_(cricket)) | 51.85 | 42.03 | 55.90 | 41.74 | | **100s/50s** | 41/62 | 30/82 | 82/106 | 34/99 | | **Top score** | 257 | 164 | 257 | 164 | | [**Balls**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Delivery_(cricket))**bowled** | 575 | 150 | 1,506 | 349 | | [**Wickets**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wicket) | 5 | 3 | 14 | 8 | | [**Bowling average**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bowling_average) | 54.60 | 34.66 | 58.07 | 33.62 | | [**5 wickets in innings**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Five-wicket_haul) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | **10 wickets in match** | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | **Best bowling** | 1/0 | 1/12 | 2/10 | 3/34 | | **Catches/[stumpings](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Stumped" \o "Stumped)** | 195/– | 160/– | 309/– | 195/– | | |

Sachin Tendulkar

**Sachin Ramesh Tendulkar** (born 24 April 1973) is an Indian former international [cricketer](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cricket) who served as [captain of the Indian national team](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_India_national_cricket_captains#Men's_cricket). He is widely regarded as one of the greatest [batsmen](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Batting_(cricket)) in the history of cricket.[[5]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sachin_Tendulkar#cite_note-5) He is the highest run scorer of all time in [International cricket](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/International_cricket). Considered as the world's most prolific batsman of all time,he is the only player to have [scored one hundred international centuries](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_cricketers_by_number_of_international_centuries_scored), the first batsman to score a [double century](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Century_(cricket)) in a [One Day International](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/One_Day_International) (ODI), the holder of the record for the most runs in both Test and ODI cricket, and the only player to complete more than 30,000 runs in international cricket. In 2013, he was the only Indian cricketer included in an all-time Test World XI named to mark the 150th anniversary of *Wisden Cricketers' Almanack*.He is affectionately known as Little Master or Master Blaster.

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| **Full name** | Sachin Ramesh Tendulkar |
| **Born** | 24 April 1973 (age 47)[[1]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sachin_Tendulkar#cite_note-CricinfoProfile-1) [Bombay](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bombay) (now Mumbai), [Maharashtra](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Maharashtra), India |
| **Nickname** | Little Master,[[1]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sachin_Tendulkar#cite_note-CricinfoProfile-1) Master Blaster[[2]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sachin_Tendulkar#cite_note-2)[[3]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sachin_Tendulkar#cite_note-3) |
| **Height** | 1.65 m (5 ft 5 in) |
| **Batting** | Right-handed |
| **Bowling** | Right-arm [medium](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fast_bowling), [leg break](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Leg_spin), [off break](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Off_spin) |
| **Role** | [Batsman](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Batsman) |
| **International information** | |
| **National side** | * [India](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/India_national_cricket_team) (1989–2013) |
| **Test debut (cap**[**187**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_India_Test_cricketers)**)** | 15 November 1989 v [Pakistan](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pakistan_national_cricket_team) |
| **Last Test** | 14 November 2013 v [West Indies](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/West_Indies_cricket_team) |
| **ODI debut (cap**[**74**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_India_ODI_cricketers)**)** | 18 December 1989 v [Pakistan](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pakistan_national_cricket_team) |
| **Last ODI** | 18 March 2012 v [Pakistan](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pakistan_national_cricket_team) |
| **ODI shirt no.** | 10 |
| **Only T20I (cap**[**11**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_India_Twenty20_International_cricketers)**)** | 1 December 2006 v [South Africa](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/South_Africa_national_cricket_team) |
| **Domestic team information** | |
| **Years** | **Team** |
| 1988 | [Cricket Club of India](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cricket_Club_of_India) |
| 1988–2013 | [Mumbai](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mumbai_cricket_team) |
| 1992 | [Yorkshire](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Yorkshire_County_Cricket_Club) |
| 1994 | [East Bengal](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/East_Bengal_Club_(cricket))[[4]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sachin_Tendulkar#cite_note-4) |
| 2008–2013 | [Mumbai Indians](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mumbai_Indians) *(squad no. 10)* |
| **Career statistics** | |
| |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **Competition** | [**Test**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Test_cricket) | [**ODI**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/One_Day_International) | [**FC**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/First-class_cricket) | [**LA**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_A_cricket) | | **Matches** | 200 | 463 | 310 | 551 | | **Runs scored** | 15,921 | 18,426 | 25,396 | 21,999 | | [**Batting average**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Batting_average_(cricket)) | 53.78 | 44.83 | 57.84 | 45.54 | | **100s/50s** | 51/68 | 49/96 | 81/116 | 60/114 | | **Top score** | 248[\*](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Not_out) | 200[\*](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Not_out) | 248[\*](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Not_out) | 200[\*](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Not_out) | | [**Balls**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Delivery_(cricket))**bowled** | 4,240 | 8,054 | 7,605 | 10,230 | | [**Wickets**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wicket) | 46 | 154 | 71 | 201 | | [**Bowling average**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bowling_average) | 54.17 | 44.48 | 61.74 | 42.17 | | [**5 wickets in innings**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Five-wicket_haul) | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | | **10 wickets in match** | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | **Best bowling** | 3/10 | 5/32 | 3/10 | 5/32 | | **Catches/[stumpings](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Stumped" \o "Stumped)** | 115/– | 140/– | 186/– | 175/– | | |
| Source: [ESPNcricinfo](https://www.espncricinfo.com/india/content/player/35320.html), 15 November 2013 | |
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| [**Member of parliament, Rajya Sabha**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Member_of_parliament,_Rajya_Sabha) | |
| **In office** 27 April 2012 – 26 April 2018 | |
| **Constituency** | [Nominated](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_nominated_members_of_Rajya_Sabha) |

AB De Villiers

**Abraham Benjamin de Villiers** (born 17 February 1984), is a South African cricketer. He was named as the [ICC ODI Player of the Year](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/ICC_ODI_Player_of_the_Year) three times during his 15-year international career and was one of the five [Wisden](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wisden_Cricketers%27_Almanack" \o "Wisden Cricketers' Almanack) cricketers of the decade at the end of 2019.

De Villiers began his international career as a wicket-keeper-batsman, but he has played most often solely as a batsman. He batted at various positions in the batting order, but predominantly in the middle-order. Noted as one of the most innovative and destructive batsmen in the modern era, De Villiers is known for a range of unorthodox shots, particularly behind the wicket-keeper. He made his international debut in a [Test match](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Test_cricket) against England in 2004 and first played a [One Day International](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/One_Day_International) (ODI) in early 2005. His debut in [Twenty20 International](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Twenty20_International) cricket came in 2006. He scored over 8,000 [runs](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Run_(cricket)) in both Test and ODI cricket and is one of the very few batsmen to have a [batting average](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Batting_average_(cricket)) of over fifty in both forms of the game. In limited overs cricket he is an attacking player. He holds the record for the fastest ODI century in just 31 balls. He also recorded the fastest ODI 50 and 150

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| **Personal information** | |
| **Full name** | Abraham Benjamin de Villiers |
| **Born** | 17 February 1984 (age 36) [Warmbad](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bela-Bela), [Transvaal Province](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Transvaal_Province), South Africa |
| **Nickname** | Mr. 360, ABD[[1]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/AB_de_Villiers#cite_note-1) |
| **Batting** | Right-handed |
| **Bowling** | Right-arm Medium Pace |
| **Role** | Batsman, [wicket-keeper](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wicket-keeper) |
| **International information** | |
| **National side** | * [South Africa](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/South_Africa_national_cricket_team) (2004–2018) |
| **Test debut (cap**[**296**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_South_Africa_Test_cricketers)**)** | 17 December 2004 v [England](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/England_cricket_team) |
| **Last Test** | 30 March 2018 v [Australia](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Australia_national_cricket_team) |
| **ODI debut (cap**[**78**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_South_Africa_ODI_cricketers)**)** | 2 February 2005 v [England](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/England_cricket_team) |
| **Last ODI** | 16 February 2018 v [India](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/India_national_cricket_team) |
| **ODI shirt no.** | 17 |
| **T20I debut (cap**[**20**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_South_Africa_Twenty20_International_cricketers)**)** | 24 February 2006 v [Australia](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Australia_national_cricket_team) |
| **Last T20I** | 29 October 2017 v [Bangladesh](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bangladesh_national_cricket_team) |
| **T20I shirt no.** | 17 |
| **Domestic team information** | |
| **Years** | **Team** |
| 2003/04 | [Northerns](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Northerns_cricket_team) |
| 2004/05–2017/18 | [Titans](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Titans_cricket_team) |
| 2008–2010 | [Delhi Daredevils](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Delhi_Daredevils) *(squad no. 17)* |
| 2011–present | [Royal Challengers Bangalore](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Royal_Challengers_Bangalore) *(squad no. 17)* |
| 2016 | [Barbados Tridents](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Barbados_Tridents) *(squad no. 17)* |
| 2018 | [Tshwane Spartans](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tshwane_Spartans) *(squad no. 17)* |
| 2019 | [Rangpur Riders](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rangpur_Riders) *(squad no. 17)* |
| 2019 | [Lahore Qalandars](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lahore_Qalandars) *(squad no. 17)* |
| 2019 | [Middlesex](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Middlesex_County_Cricket_Club) *(squad no. 17)* |
| 2019/20 | [Brisbane Heat](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Brisbane_Heat) *(squad no. 17)* |
| **Career statistics** | |
| |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **Competition** | [**Test**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Test_cricket) | [**ODI**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/One_Day_International) | [**T20I**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Twenty20_International) | [**FC**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/First-class_cricket) | | **Matches** | 114 | 228 | 78 | 141 | | **Runs scored** | 8,765 | 9,577 | 1,672 | 10,689 | | [**Batting average**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Batting_average_(cricket)) | 50.66 | 53.50 | 26.12 | 49.71 | | **100s/50s** | 22/46 | 25/53 | 0/10 | 25/60 | | **Top score** | 278[\*](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Not_out) | 176 | 79[\*](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Not_out) | 278[\*](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Not_out) | | [**Balls**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Delivery_(cricket))**bowled** | 204 | 192 | – | 234 | | [**Wickets**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wicket) | 2 | 7 | – | 2 | | [**Bowling average**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bowling_average) | 52.00 | 28.85 | – | 69.00 | | [**5 wickets in innings**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Five-wicket_haul) | 0 | 0 | – | 0 | | **10 wickets in match** | 0 | 0 | – | 0 | | **Best bowling** | 2/22 | 2/15 | – | 2/49 | | **Catches/[stumpings](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Stumped" \o "Stumped)** | 222/5 | 176/5 | 65/7 | 275/6 | | |

Brendon Mccullum

**Brendon Barrie McCullum** [ONZM](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Officer_of_The_New_Zealand_Order_of_Merit) (born 27 September 1981) is a New Zealand cricket coach, commentator and former [cricketer](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cricket), who played all formats, and also a former captain in all forms.[[1]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Brendon_McCullum#cite_note-1) McCullum took quick scoring to Test matches as well, notably recording the fastest test century of all time. He is considered as one of the most successful batsmen and captains of New Zealand cricket. He retired from all forms of cricket in August 2019.

McCullum is the former leading run scorer in [Twenty20 International](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Twenty20_International) cricket and is the first and so far only one of the two players to have scored two [Twenty20 International centuries](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_centuries_in_Twenty20_International_cricket) and 2000 runs in T20 Internationals . He became the first New Zealander to score a triple hundred in a Test, 302 runs against India on 18 February 2014.[[6]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Brendon_McCullum#cite_note-6) In 2014, he also became the first New Zealander to score 1000 test runs in a calendar year (1164). The record was bettered by [Kane Williamson](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kane_Williamson) with 1172 runs in 2015. In his last Test outing on 20 February 2016, McCullum posted the fastest ever Test century, in 54 balls, beating the 56-ball record jointly held by his hero, [Vivian Richards](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vivian_Richards) and [Misbah-ul-Haq](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Misbah-ul-Haq" \o "Misbah-ul-Haq), scoring a total of 145 off 79 balls.

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| **Full name** | Brendon Barrie McCullum |
| **Born** | 27 September 1981 (age 39) [Dunedin](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dunedin), [Otago](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Otago" \o "Otago), New Zealand |
| **Nickname** | Baz |
| **Height** | 1.71 m (5 ft 7 in) |
| **Batting** | Right-handed |
| **Bowling** | Right-arm medium |
| **Role** | [Opening batsman](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Batsman_(cricket)), [wicket-keeper](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wicket-keeper) |
| **Relations** | [Nathan McCullum](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nathan_McCullum) (brother) [Stuart McCullum](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Stuart_McCullum) (father) |
| **International information** | |
| **National side** | * [New Zealand](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/New_Zealand_national_cricket_team) (2002–2016) |
| **Test debut (cap**[**224**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_New_Zealand_Test_cricketers)**)** | 10 March 2004 v [South Africa](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/South_Africa_national_cricket_team) |
| **Last Test** | 20 February 2016 v [Australia](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Australia_national_cricket_team) |
| **ODI debut (cap**[**126**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_New_Zealand_ODI_cricketers)**)** | 17 January 2002 v [Australia](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Australia_national_cricket_team) |
| **Last ODI** | 8 February 2016 v [Australia](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Australia_national_cricket_team) |
| **ODI shirt no.** | 42 |
| **T20I debut** | 17 February 2005 v [Australia](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Australia_national_cricket_team) |
| **Last T20I** | 23 June 2015 v [England](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/England_cricket_team) |
| **Domestic team information** | |
| **Years** | **Team** |
| 1999–2003 2007–2015 | [Otago](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Otago_cricket_team) |
| 2003–2006 | [Canterbury](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Canterbury_cricket_team) |
| 2006 | [Glamorgan](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Glamorgan_County_Cricket_Club) |
| 2009 | [New South Wales](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/New_South_Wales_cricket_team) |
| 2008–2010 2012–2013 | [Kolkata Knight Riders](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kolkata_Knight_Riders) |
| 2010 | [Sussex](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sussex_County_Cricket_Club) |
| 2011 | [Kochi Tuskers Kerala](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kochi_Tuskers_Kerala) |
| 2011–2019 | [Brisbane Heat](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Brisbane_Heat) |
| 2014–2015 | [Chennai Super Kings](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chennai_Super_Kings) |
| 2015 | [Warwickshire](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Warwickshire_County_Cricket_Club) |
| 2016 | [Middlesex](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Middlesex_County_Cricket_Club) |
| 2016–2017 | [Gujarat Lions](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gujarat_Lions) |
| 2017–2018 | [Lahore Qalandars](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lahore_Qalandars) |
| 2017 | [MCC](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Marylebone_Cricket_Club) |
| 2017 | [Rangpur Riders](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rangpur_Riders) |
| 2018 | [Royal Challengers Bangalore](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Royal_Challengers_Bangalore) |
| 2018 | [Kandahar Knights](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kandahar_Knights) |
| **Career statistics** | |
| |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **Competition** | [**Test**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Test_cricket) | [**ODI**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/One_Day_International) | [**T20I**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/T20_International) | [**FC**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/First-class_cricket) | | **Matches** | 101 | 260 | 71 | 150 | | **Runs scored** | 6,453 | 6,083 | 2,140 | 9,210 | | [**Batting average**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Batting_average_(cricket)) | 38.64 | 30.41 | 35.66 | 37.13 | | **100s/50s** | 12/31 | 5/32 | 2/13 | 17/46 | | **Top score** | 302 | 166 | 123 | 302 | | [**Balls**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Delivery_(cricket))**bowled** | 175 | – | – | 259 | | [**Wickets**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wicket) | 1 | – | – | 1 | | [**Bowling average**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bowling_average) | 88.00 | – | – | 140.00 | | [**5 wickets in innings**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Five-wicket_haul) | 0 | – | – | 0 | | **10 wickets in match** | 0 | – | – | 0 | | **Best bowling** | 1/1 | – | – | 1/1 | | **Catches/[stumpings](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Stumped" \o "Stumped)** | 198/11 | 262/15 | 36/8 | 308/19 | | |

Lasith Malinga

**Separamadu Lasith Malinga**(born 28 August 1983) is a [Sri Lankan](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sri_Lanka_national_cricket_team) [cricketer](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cricket) and current T20 international captain of Sri Lanka. He captained the Sri Lankan [2014 T20 World Cup](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2014_ICC_World_Twenty20) winning side. He is a right-arm [fast bowler](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fast_bowler) that is commonly used as a specialist [death bowler](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Glossary_of_cricket_terms#Death_bowler), and is well known for his distinctive [round-arm](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Roundarm_bowling) action, sometimes referred to as a sling action, which leads to his nicknames, 'Slinga Malinga'.

Considered as one of the greatest limited-overs bowlers of all time, Malinga's unorthodox action and dipping slower ball yorkers are credited with much of his success.[]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lasith_Malinga#cite_note-1)He is best known for his ability to take consecutive wickets, with in-swinging [yorkers](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Yorker" \o "Yorker): he is the only bowler in the world to have two World Cup hat-tricks, the only bowler to have taken three hat-tricks in ODIs and the only player to have taken four wickets in four consecutive balls in any form of international cricket, which he has done twice.

On 22 April 2011, he announced his retirement from [Test cricket](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Test_cricket). He has been named as the official event ambassador for the World Twenty20 Championships by ICC. On 26 July 2019, he retired from [One Day International](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/One_Day_International) cricket after the first ODI against Bangladesh

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| **Full name** | Separamadu Lasith Malinga |
| **Born** | 28 August 1983 (age 37) [Galle](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Galle), Sri Lanka |
| **Nickname** | Yorker King, Kagawena, Malinga the Slinga, Mali, Rathgama Express, Lanka Lion |
| **Batting** | Right-handed |
| **Bowling** | Right-arm [fast](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fast_bowling) |
| **Role** | [Bowler](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bowling_(cricket)) |
| **International information** | |
| **National side** | * [Sri Lanka](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sri_Lanka_national_cricket_team) (2004–present) |
| **Test debut (cap**[**99**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_Sri_Lanka_Test_cricketers)**)** | 1 July 2004 v [Australia](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Australia_national_cricket_team) |
| **Last Test** | 3 August 2010 v [India](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/India_national_cricket_team) |
| **ODI debut (cap**[**123**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_Sri_Lanka_ODI_cricketers)**)** | 17 July 2004 v [UAE](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/UAE_national_cricket_team) |
| **Last ODI** | 26 July 2019 v [Bangladesh](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bangladesh_national_cricket_team) |
| **ODI shirt no.** | 99 |
| **T20I debut (cap**[**8**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_Sri_Lanka_Twenty20_International_cricketers)**)** | 15 June 2006 v [England](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/England_cricket_team) |
| **Last T20I** | 6 March 2020 v [West Indies](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/West_Indies_cricket_team) |
| **T20I shirt no.** | 99 |
| **Domestic team information** | |
| **Years** | **Team** |
| 2001–2004 | [Galle](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Galle_Cricket_Club) |
| 2004–present | [Nondescripts](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nondescripts_Cricket_Club) |
| 2008-2020 | [Mumbai Indians](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mumbai_Indians) |
| 2010–2011 | [Basnahira](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Basnahira_cricket_team) |
| 2012 | [Ruhuna Royals](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ruhuna_Royals) |
| 2012–2014 | [Melbourne Stars](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Melbourne_Stars) |
| 2013 | [Guyana Amazon Warriors](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Guyana_Amazon_Warriors) |
| 2014 | [Southern Express](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Southern_Express_T20) |
| 2017 | [Rangpur Riders](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rangpur_Riders) |
| 2019 | [Khulna Titans](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Khulna_Titans) |
| 2007 | [Kent](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kent_County_Cricket_Club) |
| **Career statistics** | |
| |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **Competition** | [**Test**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Test_cricket) | [**ODI**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/One_Day_International) | [**T20I**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Twenty20_International) | [**FC**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/First-class_cricket) | | **Matches** | 30 | 226 | 83 | 84 | | **Runs scored** | 275 | 567 | 136 | 585 | | [**Batting average**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Batting_average_(cricket)) | 11.45 | 6.83 | 6.47 | 9.75 | | **100s/50s** | 0/1 | 0/1 | 0/0 | 0/1 | | **Top score** | 64 | 56 | 27 | 64 | | [**Balls**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Delivery_(cricket))**bowled** | 5,209 | 10,936 | 1,781 | 11,927 | | [**Wickets**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wicket) | 101 | 338 | 107 | 257 | | [**Bowling average**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bowling_average) | 33.15 | 28.87 | 20.36 | 30.28 | | [**5 wickets in innings**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Five-wicket_haul) | 3 | 8 | 2 | 7 | | **10 wickets in match** | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | **Best bowling** | 5/50 | 6/38 | 5/6 | 6/17 | | **Catches/[stumpings](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Stumped" \o "Stumped)** | 7/– | 31/– | 20/– | 24/– | | |