



2023 MEDIA GUIDE





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ABOUT SAN DIEGO WAVE

San Diego Wave FC enters its second season as a club after historic success in 2022. In its inaugural 2022 season, San Diego broke the record for both the NWSL Playoff attendance record and the NWSL regular-season record, with 26,215 and 32,000 fans. Wave FC also made history in 2022 as the first expansion team to make the playoffs before advancing to the NWSL Semi-Final.

In Jill Ellis, Casey Stoney, Molly Daintain, Alex Morgan, Abby Dahlkemper, Naomi Girma and the rest of the team, we have a powerful combination of experience, commitment to excellence, and leadership to make an impact in the present and the future. By teaming up together, our club, players, community and partners will bring world-class soccer to the fans and bring the locals together through the sport we love. For too long men's sports have been hogging all the attention and the glory. It's time to shine the spotlight on women's sports and prove that when we play under the same conditions and given the right platform, we are able to make great things happen together.





STAFF DIRECTORY

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JILL ELLIS Team President
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ABBY LOZANO VAZQUEZ Coordinator, Community Relations
KIRSTINA PEREZ Coordinator, Events and Engagement

CASEY STONEY

HEAD COACH



COACHING CAREER: 2022- Named NWSL Coach of the year...2022: San Diego Wave completes season with the best record for an expansion team...2022: National Women's Soccer League Coach of the Year...2021: Named as Head Coach of San Diego Wave Fútbol Club, the 12th and newest franchise of the NWSL... 2018-2021: Served as Manager of Manchester United Women, with 52 in 77 matches... 2018-2019: Secured promotion of Manchester United Women in her inaugural season...2009: Served as player-manager with Chelsea Ladies after the resignation of Steve Jones.

INTERNATIONAL CAREER: 2000-2017: Made 130 appearances from England's National Team and served as team captain... 2017: Semifinal appearance UEFA Women's Euro... 2007, 2011, 2015: English World Cup Team... 2012: Played for Great Britain in the London Olympics.

BIOGRAPHY

Casey was named head coach of San Diego Wave Fútbol Club, the 12th and newest franchise of the National Women's Soccer League (NWSL), on July 14, 2021. Prior to joining the Wave FC and the NWSL, Stoney served as Manager of Manchester United Women. There she led Manchester United to 52 wins in 77 competitive matches and secured promotion with the 2018-19 Football Association Women's Championship title in her inaugural season with the club. The team finished 4th in the 2019-20 and 2020-21 campaigns in the FA WSL, coming within a single point of qualifying for the Champions League in her last year with the club.

As a player, Stoney is the former captain of England, earning 130 international caps between 2000-2017, leading the team to a semifinal appearance at UEFA Women's Euro 2017 and playing in three World Cups ('07,'11,'15). Additionally, she played for Great Britain at the 2012 London Olympics helping them reach the quarterfinals. Stoney began her club career at 12 years old with Chelsea Ladies before moving to Arsenal Ladies in 1999.

Stoney joined Charlton Athletic Ladies in 2002 captaining the team and leading them to their first FA Women's Cup final. In July 2007, Stoney re-signed with Chelsea and served as player-manager for a portion of the 2009 season, giving her a taste of what was to come. In 2010 she signed with FA WSL club Lincoln, before returning to Arsenal in 2014. Stoney finished her illustrious 19-year professional career at Liverpool from 2016-2018.

Stoney prides herself on a coaching style that empowers players to be decision makers, and intimately understands the pressure and emotion of playing at the highest level. Determined to provide support for her team both on and off the pitch, Stoney strives to create a high-performance environment that fosters the open communication and supportive relationships.

Stoney will be joined in San Diego by wife Megan and their three children.



JACKIE BACHTELER

ASSISTANT COACH

Bachteler joins Wave FC after spending the last two years as the Sporting Director for BP Fotboll in Stockholm (Sweden), where she oversaw the player and coaching development for BP's girls side and the Girls Academy. Prior to her front office position with BP Fotboll, Bachteler had a robust international coaching career in the United States, Finland, Spain, Cyprus, Costa Rica and Sweden. Most recently, Bachteler has served as Head Coach for Sollentuna FK (2020-2021, Sweden), Assistant Coach for Hammarby IF (2018-2019, Sweden), Trainer and Project Leader for IFK Stocksund (2017, Sweden), Head Coach for FC Famagusta (2017, Cyprus) and Head Coach for Sunnanå SK (2016, Sweden).



LOUIS HUNT

ASSISTANT COACH / GOALKEEPING

Hunt joined Wave FC from San Diego Surf Soccer Club in Southern California where he was a Director of Coaching since 2016, head coach of the club's ECNL teams as well as Director of Goalkeeping. He also coached in the US Soccer Development Academy (USSDA). He was most recently the USWNT U20 Goalkeeper Coach as well as past experiences serving as a coach in the US YNT's at the U15,16,17 & 18 age groups. In addition to San Diego Surf, Hunt was a head coach & Director at LA Surf, was an assistant coach at the DII level with Cal Poly Pomona, Head coach for LA Premiers WPSL team and GK coach for LA Strikers in the W League.



CRAIG BARCLAY

TECHNICAL AND DEVELOPEMNT COACH

Barclay was a local hire from youth sports club, Surf Soccer Club, where he served as the Director of Coaching. With an incredible breadth of knowledge in California club soccer, Barclay will work as a development coach and assist younger players in the integration and growth within the team.



CHRIS LOXTON

TACTICAL COACH ANALYST

Loxton joins the club after working as the Manager of Performance and Game Analysis at FIFA in Switzerland. The Manchester native began working in sports performance analytics in 2007 and has worked with the International Olympic Committee, English Institute of Sport, Saudi Arabian Football Federation (SAFF), United Arab Emirates FA and Al Ahli Club (Dubai) throughout his tenure.

SD WAVE FC SPORTING STAFF

CASEY STONEY Head Coach

JACKIE BACHTLER Assistant Coach

LOUIS HUNT Head of Goalkeeping

CRAIG BARCLAY Technical and Development Coach

CHRIS LOXSTON Technical Coach Analyst

BENNET LUETHJE Performance Analyst

BUDDY HUTTANUS Head of Sport Science

JILL ZELLER Sports Performance Coach

LOMA HARKINS Mental Performance and Wellbeing Coach

KATIE SHAUGHNESSY Head of Physical Therapy

BAILEY TORREZ Head of Medical/ Head Athletic Trainer

ABIGAIL ROGERS Athletic Trainer

**KAILLEN SHERIDAN**

GOALKEEPER

#1

PRONUNCIATION KAY-LUHN SHARE-I-DEN**HEIGHT:** 5'8"**DOB** July 16, 1995**HOMETOWN** Pickering, Ontario, Canada**CITIZENSHIP** Canada**COLLEGE** Clemson University**STATUS** Signed through 2024**HOW ACQUIRED:** Acquired via trade with NY/NJ Gotham FC on Dec. 4, 2021

PROFESSIONAL: Sheridan was selected as the 23rd pick by Sky Blue FC during the 2017 NWSL College Draft. She was named an allocated player by Canada Soccer later that year. Sheridan played for Sky Blue FC for 5 seasons and was a finalist for NWSL Goalkeeper of the Year in 2019 and 2021.

INTERNATIONAL: Sheridan has represented Canada on the senior national team as well as numerous youth national teams including the U-17, U-20 and U-23 teams. She made her debut for the senior national team in March 2016 at the 2016 Algarve Cup. Sheridan was an alternate at the 2016 Summer Olympics in Rio. Sheridan was called up for the 2017 Algarve Cup. Sheridan was added to the roster for the 2018 CONCACAF Women's Championship. On May 25, 2019, she was named to the roster for the 2019 FIFA Women's World Cup. On August 6, 2021, she won the Olympic Gold Medal in the 2020 Summer Olympics with Canada.

COLLEGE: In her 76 appearances for the Clemson Tigers, Sheridan recorded 229 saves and 28 shut-outs. Sheridan was named to the All-ACC first team in both 2014 and 2015. Her freshman season, Sheridan was named to Soccer America's All-Freshman Second Team, an All-ACC Third Team selection, a member of the ACC All-Freshman Team, and was named to TopDrawerSoccer.com's Freshmen's Best XI First Team. Her sophomore year, she was named NSCAA All-Southeast Region First Team, First Team All-ACC (First Clemson player to be named First Team All-Conference since 2007) and was named to the College Sports Madness All-ACC Second Team. In her final season as a Tiger, she was named to the NSCAA All-American Third Team, and named First Team All-ACC.

**ABBY DAHLKEMPER**

DEFENDER

#2

PRONUNCIATION AH-BEE DAAL-KEM-PR**HEIGHT:** 5'7"**DOB** May 3, 1993**HOMETOWN** Menlo Park, Calif.**CITIZENSHIP** United States**COLLEGE** UCLA**STATUS** Signed through 2024

HOW ACQUIRED: Acquired via three-way trade ahead of Wave FC's inaugural 22' Season that included North Carolina Courage and Houston Dash.

PROFESSIONAL: 2013: Signed with the Pali Blues in the W-League, won the western conference title and the National Championship... 2015: Drafted to the Western New York Flash as the third overall pick and helped the club win the 2016 NWSL Championship... 2016: Joined the North Carolina Courage after the Western New York Flash were sold to the owners of North Carolina, named to the NWSL Best XI and voted NWSL Defender of the Year for the 2017 season... 2018: Won another NWSL Championship and was named to the NWSL Best XI for a second consecutive year and finalist for Defender of the Year... 2021: Joined Manchester City on loan from NC and later that year was announced as the first player signed by San Diego Wave FC.

INTERNATIONAL: 2010: First appearance for U-17s U.S. Women's National team as team captain... 2016-2022: Member of U.S. Women's National Team... 2018: Won SheBelieves Cup and the Tournament of Nations with the USWNT... 2018: Named to the final 20-player roster for the 2018 CONCACAF Women's Championship... 2019: World Cup Champion.

COLLEGE: Attended UCLA from 2011-2014... 2013: NCAA National Championship with UCLA.... 2014: Awarded the Honda Sports Award, given to the top collegiate female athletes across 12 sports.

**RACHEL HILL**

FORWARD

#3

PRONUNCIATION RAY-CH-EL H-ILL**HEIGHT:** 5'5"**DOB** April 17, 1995**HOMETOWN** Rollinsford, NH**CITIZENSHIP** United States**COLLEGE** University of Connecticut**STATUS** Two-year contract through 2024

HOW ACQUIRED: Acquired via trade with Chicago Red Stars on December 2, 2022

PROFESSIONAL: 2020-2022: Played 70 matches and scored 6 goals... 2020: Loaned to Linköpings FC in Sweden... 2017-2019: Played 60 matches and scored 11 goals... 2017-2019: Loaned to Perth Glory in the Australian A-League, led the league in assists in 2017 and scored a total of 15 goals over two seasons... 2017: Drafted by Portland Thorns FC and subsequently traded to Orlando Pride. In 2022, Hill started 15 out of 20 games played, with Chicago Red Stars totalling 1329 minutes and she scored one goal.

INTERNATIONAL: 2014: FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup and played five CONCACAF Women's U-20 Championship matches... 2016: Called up to the U-23 national team for the U-23 Women's Nordic Tournament.

COLLEGE: 2013-2016: Attended the University of Connecticut, totaled 61 goals in 89 total appearances... 2015-2016: MAC Hermann Trophy semifinalist... 2016: Second Team All-American... 2015: First Team NSCAA All-American.



NAOMI GIRMA

DEFENDER

#4

PRONUNCIATION NAY-OH-ME GRR-MA

HEIGHT: 5'7"

DOB June 14, 2000

HOMETOWN San Jose, CA

CITIZENSHIP United States

COLLEGE Stanford

STATUS Signed through 2024

HOW ACQUIRED: No. 1 overall draft pick in the 2022 NWSL Draft

PROFESSIONAL: 2022: Named 2022 NWSL Rookie of the Year and Defender of the Year...2022: Named to NWSL 2022 Best XI First Team... 2022: Named NWSL Rookie of the Month (September and October). 2022 Season Stats (Including Playoffs): Started 21 out of 21 games played totalling 1,920 minutes.

INTERNATIONAL: 2022: She debuted for the senior national team on April 12, 2022, in an international friendly against Uzbekistan. She also appeared in the 2022 CONCACAF W Championship, and registered an assist on a goal by Sophia Smith against Jamaica during the tournament. 2020: U.S Soccer Young Female Player of the Year... 2018: Played in the U20 World Cup and U20 CONCACAF Qualifiers in Trinidad & Tobago... 2017: U19 women's national team NSWI Cup CFA International Tournament in China... 2016: U17 women's national team CONCACAF Qualifiers in Grenada and U17 women's national team World Cup in Jordan.

COLLEGE: Attended Stanford University from 2018-2021...2018: As a freshman, started 22 games with two goals and four assists... 2018: Named TopDrawerSoccer Freshman Best XI first team, All-Pac-12 freshman team, and All-Pac12 third team... 2018: Pac-12 Champion... 2019: Started all 25 games, scoring two goals and tallying one assist...2019-2021: Named team captain... 2019: Pac-12 Defensive Player of the Week (Oct. 21), CoSIDA Academic All-District 8 first team, All-Pac-12 first team, Pac-12 Defender of the Year, United Coaches All-West Region first team, ESPNW All-America, College Cup All-Tournament team, College Cup Most Outstanding Defensive Player, United Soccer Coaches All-America first team, and MAC Hermann Trophy Semifinalist... 2019: NCAA and Pac-12 Championship...2020: Continued as team captain and earned Pac-12 Academic Honor Roll... 2021: MAC Hermann Trophy Semifinalist, United Soccer Coaches All-America first team, Pac-12 Defender of the Year, Pac-12 Scholar-Athlete of the Year, United Coaches All-Pacific Region first team, All-Pac-12 first time, Two-Time Pac-12 Defense Player of the Week (Oct 11, Oct 25), CoSIDA Academic All-America first team, CoSIDA Academic All-District 8 first team, Senior CLASS Award Finalist, Senior CLASS Award All-America second team, and United Soccer Coaches Scholar All-America first team.



EMILY VAN EGMOND

MIDFIELDER

#5

PRONUNCIATION EM-UH-LEE VAN EG-MOND

HEIGHT: 5'10"

DOB July 12, 1993

HOMETOWN Newcastle, Australia

CITIZENSHIP Australia

COLLEGE Lake Ginninderra College

STATUS Signed through 2023

HOW ACQUIRED: Acquired via multi-player trade with Orlando Pride; Trade also included Wave FC Player, Taylor Kornieck.

PROFESSIONAL: 2009: Began career with Canberra United in Australia... 2011: Joined Fortuna Hjørring in the UEFA Women's Champions League... 2012-2013: Played for Newcastle Jets... 2012: Joined Western New York Flash during the Summer and helped them capture the league championship... 2013: Signed with Seattle Reign FC during the NWSL's inaugural season... 2014: Played for Chicago Red Stars... 2014-2015: Played for Newcastle Jets... 2015-2016: Played for Bundesliga's FFC Frankfurt Club... 2016-2017: VfL Wolfsburg. 2017: Returned to Newcastle Jets... 2018: Signed to Orlando Pride for the season... 2019: Joined Melbourne City... 2020: Loaned to the English FA WSL club West Ham United. 2021: Re-signed with Orlando Pride... 2022: Acquired by Wave FC prior to inaugural season. 2022 Season Stats (Including Playoffs): Started 24 out of 24 games played, totalling 2,145 minutes. She scored one goal with 2 assists.

INTERNATIONAL: Represented the Young Matildas at the U20 level... 2011: Competed in FIFA Women's World Cup and scored in a 3-2 win over Equatorial Guinea... 2012 and 2019: Competed in FIFA Women's World Cups... 2016: Represented Australia in the Rio Olympic Games... 2020: Represented Australia in Tokyo Olympic Games... Over 100 appearances for the Australian National Team.

**KELSEY TURNBOW**

POSITION

#6

PRONUNCIATION KELL-SEE TURN-BOW**HEIGHT:** 5'8"**DOB** January 10, 1999**HOMETOWN** Nashville, TN**CITIZENSHIP** United States**COLLEGE** Santa Clara University**STATUS** Signed through 2024

HOW ACQUIRED: Acquired via multi-player trade with Chicago Red Stars ahead of 2022 NWSL Draft; Trade included Katie Johnson and Makenzy Doniak.

PROFESSIONAL: 2021: Second-round pick by Chicago Red Stars in the NWSL Draft but returned to Santa Clara for a fifth season due to COVID outbreak. 2022 Season Stats (Including Playoffs): Started 15 out of 23 games played, totalling 1,250 minutes and registered two assists.

INTERNATIONAL: Has been a member of the United States Under 14, U-15, U-17, U-18, U-19, U-20, and U-23 Women's National teams.

COLLEGE: Attended Santa Clara University 2017-2021... tallying a total of 56 goals and 38 assists... five-time First Team AllWest Region, five-time First Team All-WCC, two-time WCC All-Academic honorable mention, two-time Third Team Academic All-American... 2017: Named WCC Freshman of the year and WCC All-Freshman team... 2020: College Cup Offensive Most Outstanding Player, Top Drawer Soccer Player of the Year, and Top Drawer Soccer Best XI First Team... 2021: First Team All American, a Honda Award Finalist, one of three Finalist for MAC Hermann Trophy, First Team CoSIDA Academic All-West Region, and a Senior Class award finalist... 2021: NCAA National Championship.

**AMIRAH ALI**

FORWARD

#7

PRONUNCIATION AH-MEER-AH AH-LEE**HEIGHT:** 5'8"**DOB** December 7, 1998**HOMETOWN** Voorhees, NJ**CITIZENSHIP** United States**COLLEGE** Rutgers University**STATUS** Signed through 2023

HOW ACQUIRED: Acquired via multi-player trade with Portland Thorns following the 2022 NWSL Expansion Draft; Trade also included Christen Westphal.

PROFESSIONAL: 2022: Started 4 out of 20 games played, totalling 559 minutes. Scored a pair of goals with one assist.

INTERNATIONAL: Played for U19 U.S. Women's National Team (Possible addition? Invited to U14, U18, and U19 camps).

COLLEGE: Attended Rutgers from 2017-2021... 2021: NCAA College Cup Champion... 2017: Big 10 Freshman of the Year and All-Big 10 Freshman Team... 2018: Selected to the Big 10 All-Tournament Team, First Team All-Big 10 and All-American Second Team... 2019: All-American first team honors and named to All-Big 10 First Team... 2020: Served as team captain and was a MAC Hermann Trophy Semifinalist, First Team All-American, All-Region First Team, and Academic All-Big Ten... 2021: Named a Big 10 Player to Watch, MAC Hermann Trophy Candidate, Academic All-Big 10, All-Big 10 First Team, Big Team All-Tournament Team, All-Region First Team, All-America Third Team and College Cup All-Tournament Team.

**SIERRA ENGE**

MIDFIELDER

#8

PRONUNCIATION SEE-EH-RAH-ENG-EE**HEIGHT:** 5'8"**DOB** February 23, 2000**HOMETOWN** Cardiff, Calif.**CITIZENSHIP** United States**COLLEGE** Stanford University**STATUS** Signed through 2023 with option for 2024**HOW ACQUIRED:** Drafted 13th overall by the Wave in January 2023

COLLEGE: Enge played at Stanford University from 2019-2022, where she helped the Cardinal to one NCAA Championship and three Pac-12 titles. The Stanford standout appeared in 79 games (57 starts) while tallying five goals and 13 assists. The midfielder also earned Pac-12 Scholar-Athlete of the Year (2022), United Soccer Coaches All-Region third team (2021) and United Soccer Coaches All-Region second team (2020-21).

**SOFIA JAKOBSSON**

FORWARD

10

PRONUNCIATION SOF-EE-YA YA-KOB-SON**HEIGHT:** 5'9"**DOB** April 23, 1990**HOMETOWN** Örnsköldsvik, Sweden**CITIZENSHIP** Sweden**COLLEGE** N/A**STATUS** Signed through 2024**HOW ACQUIRED:** Acquired via trade with Bayern Munich on January 15, 2022

PROFESSIONAL: 2007: Began her professional career with second tier club Östers IF... 2007-2011: Signed with reigning league champions Umeå IK ...won two championships, one national cup, and made her UEFA Women's Cup debut... 2011: Transferred to Russian champion WFC Rosiyanka...scored nine goals in 13 matches... 2013: Signed for Chelsea Ladies in January 2013 with 11 appearances and six goals, as Chelsea's top scorer... (2013-2014) Moved to the German Bundesliga signing with newly promoted BV Cloppenburg... 2014: Signed for Montpellier HSC of the French Division 1 Féminine... 2019: Joined Real Madrid. 2022: Traded to Wave FC by way of Bayern Munich.. Played most of the 20-21 season at Spanish club Real Madrid...scored eight goals and seven assists in 33 matches to lead the team. Lethal forward tallied 113 goals so far in her club career... 2022 Season Stats (Including Playoffs): Started 13 out of 19 games played, totalling 1,183 minutes... Scored one goal with 4 assists.

INTERNATIONAL: 2011: Debut for Swedish National team...totalling over 100 international matches and 23 goals...appearances at the 2011, 2015 and 2019 World Cups... 2019: Notched the game winning goal in the third-place match of the World Cup... 2012 and 2016: Summer Olympics...silver medal at 2016 Rio Games.

**JAEDYN SHAW**

FORWARD

#11

PRONUNCIATION JAY-DEN SH-AWW**HEIGHT:** 5'6"**DOB** November 20, 2004**HOMETOWN** Frisco, TX**CITIZENSHIP** United States**COLLEGE** N/A**STATUS** Signed through 2023**HOW ACQUIRED:** NWSL Discovery Process

PROFESSIONAL: 2022: Voted U.S. Soccer Young Female Player of the Year 2022: Nominated by U.S. Soccer for the Player of the Year Award...2022: Signed to San Diego Wave Fútbol Club in July through the NWSL Discovery Process... Debuted on July 30th against Chicago Red Stars and scored her first professional goal and game-winner for Wave FC... 2022: Preseason play with Washington Spirit. 2022 Season Stats (Including Playoffs): Started 6 out of 7 games played, totalling 378 minutes... Scored 3 goals.

INTERNATIONAL: 2022: Named to U-20 U.S. Youth National Team.. scored two goals in three matches to assist in the win at the Sud Ladies Cup in Aubagne, France...Invited to train with the French first-division club, Paris Saint-Germain FC.

**GIOVANNA DEMARCO**

MIDFIELDER

#12

PRONUNCIATION GEE-OH-VAN-AH-DEE-MARC-OH**HEIGHT:** 5'7"**DOB** July 9, 1999**HOMETOWN** Wake Forest University**CITIZENSHIP** United States**COLLEGE** Gwynedd Valley, Penn.**STATUS** Signed through

HOW ACQUIRED: Drafted 45 overall through the fourth round of the 2023 NWSL Draft.

PROFESSIONAL: 2023: DeMarco was San Diego's third pick of the 2023 Draft, joining Sierra Enge from Stanford (No. 13 overall) and Lauren Brzykcy from UCLA (No. 33 overall).

INTERNATIONAL: Attended the U-19 WNT Camp in February 2018... Rated by TopDrawer-Soccer as the No. 117 prospect in the nation, including No. 5 in the New Jersey region and No. 46 Midfielder... 2017 ECNL National Champion... Member of ECNL Player Development Program from 2015-17... Attended the 2013 US Youth Olympic Development National Training Camp and was a member of the Pennsylvania ODP from 2010-13

COLLEGE: DeMarco, 23, spent the last five seasons at Wake Forest University. A native from Gwynedd Valley, Penn., DeMarco appeared in 74 games (69 starts), tallying 11 goals and seven assists. The midfielder was selected for All-ACC Academic Team (2018, 2019 and 2021) and ACC All-Freshman Team (2018). In her final season at Wake Forest, DeMarco spent time as a defensive midfielder, central defender and forward, while recording four goals and two assists.



ALEX MORGAN

FORWARD

#13

PRONUNCIATION ALEX MORE-GAN**HEIGHT:** 5'7"**DOB** July 2, 1989**HOMETOWN** Diamond Bar, CA**CITIZENSHIP** United States**COLLEGE** University of California - Berkeley**STATUS** Option year through 2025

HOW ACQUIRED: In one of the most high-profile deals in NWSL history, Wave FC announced the signing of Alex Morgan via trade with the Orlando Pride.

PROFESSIONAL: 2023: Named a finalist for the 2022 Best FIFA Women's Player Award... 2022: Nominated by U.S. Soccer for the Player of the Year Award... 2022: Named to NWSL 2022 Best XI First Team... Morgan is one of the most decorated players in women's soccer history... two-time World Cup champion, Olympic gold medalist, UEFA Champions League winner and NWSL league champion... the first overall pick in the 2011 WPS Draft by the Western New York Flash where she propelled the club to the regular season title and WPS Championship that same year... 2013: Joined the Portland Thorns FC during the NWSL's inaugural season... 2016: Traded from Portland Thorns to Orlando Pride and signed a six-month contract in 2017 with French club Lyon, where she won the French and Champions League titles in the same year... 2021: Loaned to Tottenham Hotspur Football Club... 2021: Joined the San Diego Wave FC for their inaugural season in a trade with the Orlando Pride.

INTERNATIONAL: In her decorated career with the U.S. National Team, Morgan has netted 115 goals in 190 appearances. She also played a key role with the USA securing the 2015 and 2019 FIFA Women's World Cup titles, being named to the Dream Team for both tournaments and winning the Silver Boot in 2019. Among other international soccer accolades, Morgan was the 2012 U.S. Soccer Female Athlete of the Year and a 2012 FIFA World Player of the Year Finalist. A testament to her leadership, Morgan cocaptained the U.S. from 2018-2020. Morgan first joined the senior National Team in 2010 and was the youngest player on the 2011 FIFA Women's World Cup squad where they finish second, losing on penalties in the final against Japan. The following year, Morgan assisted on the second goal in the gold medal match at the 2012 London Olympics to beat Japan. She was recognized as the CONCACAF 2013 Female Player of the Year and was named US Soccer's Female Player of the Year in 2018.

COLLEGE: Attended the University of California - Berkeley from 2007-2010... Led the Golden Bears in scoring during her freshman season... Competed in NCAA Tournaments four years in a row... Named the first Gold Bear named as a finalist for the Hermann Trophy, awarded annually to the best collegiate soccer player.

**KRISTEN MCNABB**

DEFENDER/MIDFIELDER

#14

PRONUNCIATION KRISS-TEN MICK-NAB**HEIGHT:** 5'5"**DOB** April 7, 1994**HOMETOWN** Montville, NJ**CITIZENSHIP** United States**COLLEGE** University of Virginia**STATUS** Signed through 2024 plus option

HOW ACQUIRED: Acquired via trade with OL Reign in 2022 NWSL Expansion Draft

PROFESSIONAL: 2022: McNabb started in 23 of 24 games played (including playoffs), totalling 2,123 minutes and she scored two goals. 2017: Drafted by then Seattle Reign FC as the 37th overall pick in the 2017 NWSL College Draft and played for them for 5 seasons...Joined the Australian Club Melbourne Victory on a loan for the off-season... Selected as the fourth pick in the NWSL Expansion Draft by Wave FC.

INTERNATIONAL: Selected to represent the USA on the U-18 and U-23 teams.

COLLEGE: Attended the University of Virginia from 2012-2016... Spent four seasons at UVA, redshirting her freshman year due to an injury... 2014: Recognized on the ACC Academic Honor Roll and selected for Second-Team VaSID All-State...2015: Recognized for a second year in a row as ACC Academic Honor Roll and selected to Second-Team NSCAA All-Southeast Region... Named to the ACC Women's Soccer All-Academic Team, a NSCAA All-Region Selection and an All-ACC Second Team selection.

**MAKENZY DONIAK**

FORWARD

#15

PRONUNCIATION MA-KEN-ZEE DON-EE-ACK**HEIGHT:** 5'6"**DOB** February 25, 1994**HOMETOWN** Chino Hills, CA**CITIZENSHIP** United States**COLLEGE** University of Virginia**STATUS** Signed through 2023 with option

HOW ACQUIRED: Acquired through multi-player trade with the Chicago Red Stars ahead of the 2022 NWSL Draft; Trade also included Kelsey Turnbow and Katie Johnson.

PROFESSIONAL: 2022: Doniak started 5 out of 18 games played, totalling 736 minutes (Including Playoffs) and scored 3 goals with 2 assists. 2016: Drafted by Western New York Flash and won the NWSL Championship in her first season.... 2017: Joined the North Carolina Courage and helped them claim the 2017 NWSL Shield... 2018: Loaned to the Australian club, Adelaide United and led the team in scoring... 2018: Traded to the Utah Royals... 2020: Traded to the Chicago Red Stars and scored three goals over 18 games (seven starts) for Chicago... 2022: Joined San Diego FC...Has compiled seven goals over 69 career NWSL matches.

INTERNATIONAL: Selected to represent the USA on the U-18, U-20 and U-23 teams... Scored one goal for the United States at the 2014 U-20 World Cup in Canada. 2022 Season Stats (Including Playoffs): Started 5 out of 18 games played, totalling 736 minutes... Scored 3 goals with 2 assists.

COLLEGE: Attended the University of Virginia from 2012-2015...Two-time Mac Hermann Semi-Finalist, three-time First Team All-ACC selection, 2015 ACC Offensive Player of the Year, two-time NCSAA First Team All American, NCAA All-Tournament Team, and ACC All-Tournament team...Left the University of Virginia as the Cavaliers' all-time leader in goals (64) and points (164).

**MADISON POGARCH**

DEFENDER

#16

PRONUNCIATION MAH-DEE-SON-POH-GAHR-CH**HEIGHT:** 5'6"**DOB** November 5, 1997**HOMETOWN** Hartland, MI**CITIZENSHIP** United States**COLLEGE** N Rutgers and Central Michigan**STATUS** S

HOW ACQUIRED: Pogarch came to San Diego Wave FC in July 2022 through a trade with Portland Thorns FC.

PROFESSIONAL: Madison Pogarch signed her first professional contract with Portland Thorns FC in 2019 after a noteworthy collegiate career with Central Michigan University and Rutgers University. Throughout her four seasons with Thorns FC, the Michigan native saw her minutes and starts increase, as well as steadily improving defensive statistics throughout the years. In 2022, Pogarch played 10 matches for Thorns FC and recorded 10 clearances, seven interceptions and two blocks from the back line.

INTERNATIONAL: The defender also brings international experience from the U-23 United States Women's National Team after being called up for the 2019 Nordic Tournament in August 2019.

COLLEGE: In a noteworthy collegiate career with Central Michigan University and Rutgers University, Pogarch scored three goals and recorded 12 assists from the back line. She also earned numerous accolades, like first-team All-MAC honors and Academic All-MAC, and was named team MVP two years in a row, in 2016 and 2017.

**LAUREN BRZYKCY**

GOALKEEPER

#17

PRONUNCIATION LAH-REHN-BRIS-KI**HEIGHT:** 5'10"**DOB** November 8, 1999**HOMETOWN** San Clementine, CA**CITIZENSHIP** United States**COLLEGE** UCLA**STATUS** Signed through 2024

HOW ACQUIRED: Drafted 33rd overall by the Wave in January 2023

PROFESSIONAL: Madison Pogarch signed her first professional contract with Portland Thorns FC in 2019 after a noteworthy collegiate career with Central Michigan University and Rutgers University. Throughout her four seasons with Thorns FC, the Michigan native saw her minutes and starts increase, as well as steadily improving defensive statistics throughout the years. In 2022, Pogarch played 10 matches for Thorns FC and recorded 10 clearances, seven interceptions and two blocks from the back line.

INTERNATIONAL: The defender also brings international experience from the U-23 United States Women's National Team after being called up for the 2019 Nordic Tournament in August 2019.

COLLEGE: Brzykcy, a San Clemente, Calif. native, played at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) from 2017-22, where she made 77 appearances (74 starts) for the Bruins. The 5'10" goalkeeper led the Bruins to the 2022 National Championship in her final season at UCLA, where she recorded 73 saves and led the Pac-12 with 14 shutouts. A Pac-12 All-Freshman, Brzykcy also earned Pac-12 Goalkeeper of the Year (2020), second-team All-Pacific Regional and All-Pac-12 honors (2021-2022) and first-team All-Pacific Region honors (2022) during her tenure at UCLA.



KALEIGH RIEHL

DEFENDER

#18

PRONUNCIATION KAY-LEE REEL

HEIGHT: 5'8"

DOB October 21, 1996

HOMETOWN Fairfax Station, VA

CITIZENSHIP United States

COLLEGE Penn State University

STATUS Signed through 2024

HOW ACQUIRED: Via Trade with Racing Louisville FC in the 2022 NWSL Expansion Draft

PROFESSIONAL: Riehl started 19 out of 22 games played (Including Playoffs), totalling 1,887 minutes with Wave in 2022 and scored a goal. 2020: Signed with Sky Blue FC as the 11th Pick in the NWSL College Draft... Played on loan for Paris FC for 6 months... 2020: Drafted by Racing Louisville in the NWSL Expansion Draft... 2022: Drafted in the Expansion Draft to the San Diego Wave FC.

INTERNATIONAL: Played for US Youth National Team at the U20 World Cups in 2014 and 2016... Played with the U-18, U-20, U-23 and has played in one full team camp.

COLLEGE: College Highlights: Attended Penn State from 2015-2019... Playing in 101 career games and a total 8,847 minutes... 2015: Lead Penn State to the NCAA Championship and was named to the Women's College Cup All-Tournament Team... Earned Big 10 All-Freshman team honors and All-Big Ten second team... 2017: Named United Soccer Coaches All-Midwest Region second team, Big Ten All-Tournament Team, Defensive Player of the Big Ten Tournament, All-Big Ten second team, Academic All-Big Ten and Big Ten Distinguished Scholar... 2018: Named United Soccer Coaches first team All-American, MAC Hermann Trophy semifinalist, All-North Region First Team, Big Ten Defender of the Year, first team All-Big Ten, Big Ten Distinguished Scholar and TopDrawerSoccer National Collegiate Second Team. 2019: Named United Soccer Coaches second-team All-American, United Soccer Coaches Scholar All-American first team. She was also an Ernest B. McCoy Memorial Award recipient, All-North Region first team, first-team All-Big Ten, Awarded Big Ten Medal of Honor, TopDrawerSoccer Best XI first team and CoSIDA Academic All-District.



CHRISTEN WESTPHAL

MIDFIELDER

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PRONUNCIATION KRIS-TEN WEST-FALL

HEIGHT: 5'6"

DOB September 2, 1993

HOMETOWN University of Florida

CITIZENSHIP United States

COLLEGE University of Florida

STATUS Option year through 2024

HOW ACQUIRED: Acquired via multi-player trade with Portland Thorns following the 2022 NWSL Expansion Draft; Trade also included Amirah Ali.

PROFESSIONAL: Westphal started 22 out of 24 games played (including playoffs), totaling 1,987 minutes in 2022 as she also finished the season with two assists. 2016: Drafted as the third overall draft pick by the Boston Breakers... Started in seven of 13 matches played... 2018: Joined Reign FC in the NWSL Dispersal Draft with 16 appearances for the season... 2020: Traded to Portland Thorns... Started in eight out of 10 matches

INTERNATIONAL: 2015: Named to U-23 National Team for the our Nations Tournament (Norway) and played in all three matches.. 2013-2014: Attended the U-23 National Team Camp in Chula Vista.

COLLEGE: Attended the University of Florida from 2012-2015... 2012: Named NSCAA All-south Region third team, SEC second team, SEC Freshman team, SEC All-Tournament selection and Soccer America's All-Freshman Second-Team... 2013: Named NSCAA All-America second team, NSCAA South Region first team, All-SEC first team and SEC All-Tournament selection... 2014: Named NSCAA All-South Region, All-Southeastern Conference first-team for a second consecutive year, and was on the MAC Hermann Trophy Watch List... 2015: Named NSCAA All-America first team, NSCAA South Region first team, Southeastern Conference Defensive Player of the Year, All-SEC every year of collegiate career, and SEC Tournament Most Valuable Player... Finished her collegiate career with 77 matches played, totalling 8,486 minutes and 95 consecutive starts... 2015: MAC Hermann Trophy Watch List and named her one of the top 10 women's soccer defenders in the NCAA's Division 1



TAYLOR KORNIÉCK

MIDFIELDER

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PRONUNCIATION TAY-LORE CORE-KNEE-ECK

HEIGHT: 6'1"

DOB November 22, 1998

HOMETOWN Las Vegas, NV

CITIZENSHIP United States

COLLEGE University of Colorado - Boulder

STATUS Signed through 2024

HOW ACQUIRED: Acquired via multi-player trade with the Orlando Pride; Trade also included Emily Van Egmond.

PROFESSIONAL: Kornieck became a key element for Wave in 2022 as she started 19 out of 20 games played (including playoffs), totalling 1,558 minutes. She scored four goals and had three assists. 2020: Drafted as the third overall pick in the NWSL College Draft... 2020: Loaned to German Bundesliga Club MSV Duisburg and appeared in 11 games, tallying one goal and one assist... 2021: Returned to Orlando Pride before being traded to San Diego Wave FC.

INTERNATIONAL: Kornieck received her first senior international call-up in June 2022. She made her United States debut on June 25, 2022, entering as a 73rd-minute substitute and scoring in the 90th minute in a 3-0 friendly win over Colombia. Kornieck scored her second international goal in a 5-0 win over New Zealand when she headed in a Rose Lavelle corner in the 80th minute. 2016: Named Captain of the U18 Youth National Team... 2017: Played six matches between the U19 and U20 squads... Scoring her first international goal IN July 2017 over England.

COLLEGE: Attended the University of Colorado - Boulder from 2016-2019... First All American in the university's history and departed as the all-time leading points scorer with 102 goals tallied... 2016: Named Pac-12 Freshman of the Year, All-Pac-12 First Team, All Pac-12 All-Freshman Team, NSCAA First-Team All-Pacific Region, and TopDrawerSoccer Freshman Best XI First Team... 2017: Named to United Soccer Coaches All-West Region First Team, All-Pac-12 Second Team, MAC Hermann Trophy Watch List... 2018: Listed on the MAC Hermann Trophy Watch List, ESPNW Player of the Year Watch, named United Soccer Coaches Second-Team All American, All-Pac-12 First Team, and named to the United Soccer Coaches First-Team All-Pacific Region... 2019: Named to the MAC Hermann Trophy Watch List, All-Pac-12 First Team, United Soccer Coaches Women's All-Pacific First Team and United Soccer Coaches Third Team All American.

**BELLE BRIEDE**

MIDFIELDER

#23

PRONUNCIATION BELL BREE-D**HEIGHT:** 5'6"**DOB** October 3, 1998**HOMETOWN** Alpharetta, GA**CITIZENSHIP** United States**COLLEGE** Stanford**STATUS** Signed through 2023

HOW ACQUIRED: Drafted as the 27th pick through the third round of the NWSL Draft.

PROFESSIONAL: Briede started 15 out of 21 games played in 2022, totalling 1,361 minutes and scored one goal.

INTERNATIONAL: Briede participated in U15, U18, U19 and U20 camps with the United States Women's National Team between 2013-2017

COLLEGE: Georgia native Belle Briede is a two-time NCAA National Champion (2017, 2019) from Stanford University. Her senior year was her most productive, scoring five goals and assisting on three, earning All-Pac-12 Third Team honors. Briede finished her college career with 10 goals and 11 assists, collecting three Pac-12 Championships (2017-19) and three College Cup appearance (2017-19). She played alongside Wave FC No. 1 draft pick Naomi Girma.

**DANIELLE COLAPRICO**

MIDFIELDER

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PRONUNCIATION DAN-EE-EL CO-LA-PREE-CO**HEIGHT:** 5'3"**DOB** May 6, 1993**HOMETOWN** Freehold Township, NJ**CITIZENSHIP** United States**COLLEGE** University of Virginia**STATUS** Signed through 2024**HOW ACQUIRED:** Via Trade with Chicago Red Stars on December 5, 2022**PROFESSIONAL:** 2018-2019: Loaned to Australian Club Sydney FC in the W-League...2016-2018: Loaned to Australian club Adelaide United from the Chicago Red Stars...2015-2017: Named NWSL Second XI...2015: NWSL Rookie of the Year...2015: Drafted by the Chicago Red Stars as the ninth pick.**INTERNATIONAL:** 2015: U-23 National team... 2015, 2016, 2018: Women's National Team.**COLLEGE:** 2011-2014: Attended the University of Virginia, totaled 19 goals in 100 total appearances.

**MELANIE BARCENAS**

FORWARD

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PRONUNCIATION MEH-LAH-NEE-BAR-SEH-NAS**HEIGHT:** 5'2"**DOB** Oct. 30, 2007**HOMETOWN** San Diego, CA**CITIZENSHIP** United States**COLLEGE** N/A**STATUS** Signed through 2025

HOW ACQUIRED: Signed in March 2023 to become the first youth homegrown player to be signed in NWSL history. She is also the first to join the Wave through the league's new Under-18 Entry Mechanism. In addition, Barcenas is now officially the youngest-ever contracted NWSL player at 15 years and 139 days.

PROFESSIONAL: N/A**INTERNATIONAL:** N/A**COLLEGE:** N/A

**MIA GYAU**
DEFENDER

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PRONUNCIATION ME-AH JOUW**HEIGHT:** 5'4"**DOB** June 22, 1998**HOMETOWN** Colesville, Maryland**CITIZENSHIP** United States**COLLEGE** Duke University**STATUS** Signed through 2023

HOW ACQUIRED: Signed by San Diego Wave FC in January 2022.

PROFESSIONAL: Gyau played in five games (including playoffs) in 2022, totalling 137 minutes.

INTERNATIONAL: Gyau trained with the U-14, U-15 and U-17 teams and was a member of the U-18 and U-20 National Teams. She traveled to Jamaica with the U-17 National Team for the CONCACAF World Cup qualifier, competed with the U-17 squad for the England Friendlies in 2013 and picked up three international caps with the U-17 National Team during the Four Nations tournament in San Jose, Costa Rica.

COLLEGE: During her 2016 freshman season at Duke, Gyau appeared in 23 games, playing at both midfield and defense. She became the fourth player and second Duke freshman to notch their first goal in an NCAA Tournament. During her 2017 sophomore season, Gyau earned ACC Honor Roll, and started in the first three games before suffering a season-ending ACL and MCL tear. During her 2018 junior season, Gyau appeared in three games before suffering another season ending injury. Gyau earned ACC Honor Roll for the second consecutive year. In her senior season she logged a career-high 100 minutes of action in the ACC opener versus NC State, notched her second career goal and first of the season in the matchup at Wake Forest. Unfortunately, Gyau suffered a season-ending injury in the match versus thirdranked North Carolina. In her fifth and final season with Duke, Gyau started every game and played over 1700 minutes.

**MEGAN DOUGHERTY HOWARD**

MIDFIELDER

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PRONUNCIATION MEG-N DOH-RR-TEE HOW-ER-D**HEIGHT:** 5'5"**DOB** July 27, 1995**HOMETOWN** Largo, FL**CITIZENSHIP** United States**COLLEGE** University of Florida**STATUS** Signed through 2023 with option for 2024.**HOW ACQUIRED:** Via Trade with Orlando Pride on January 12, 2023

PROFESSIONAL: 2022: Earned her 100th NWSL appearance across all competitions in the Pride's Challenge Cup opener... 2021: Made her Pride debut on April 10, starting and assisting both goals in a 2-2 draw with Racing Louisville in the Challenge Cup... 2017: Scored her first professional goal on August 4 with Washington, in a 4-1 victory over Sky Blue FC... 2017: Selected in the third round (29th overall) of the 2017 NWSL College Draft by Washington Spirit.

INTERNATIONAL: Won U-23 Nordic Tournament... Previous call-ups with the U-23 and U-15 team earlier in her career.

COLLEGE: 2013-2016: Attend the University of Florida, totaled 14 goals and 25 assists over 94 appearances... 2016: Led the team with 12 assists and sat second on the team with eight goals... 2016: Named a All-American, the SEC Tournament MVP and a two-time All-SEC honoree.



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