

NBA Champion Players With North Carolina Connections (2000-2023)

Year	NBA Champion	Player	Pos.	NC (HS and/or College) Connection
2000	Los Angeles Lakers	Rick Fox	F	UNC (1987-91)
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2003	San Antonio Spurs	Tim Duncan	C	Wake Forest (1993-97)
		Danny Ferry	F	Duke (1985-89)
2004	Detroit Pistons	Rasheed Wallace	F	UNC (1993-95)
2005	San Antonio Spurs	Tim Duncan	C	Wake Forest (1993-97)
2006	Miami Heat	none		
2007	San Antonio Spurs	Tim Duncan	C	Wake Forest (1993-97)
2008	Boston Celtics	none		
2009	Los Angeles Lakers	Josh Powell	F	NC State (2001-03)
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2011	Dallas Mavericks	Brendan Haywood	C	Greensboro Dudley HS, UNC (1997-2001)
2012	Miami Heat	Shane Battier	F	Duke (1997-2001)
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2014	San Antonio Spurs	Tim Duncan	C	Wake Forest (1993-97)
		Danny Green	G	UNC (2005-09)
2015	Golden State Warriors	Harrison Barnes	F	UNC (2010-12)
		Steph Curry	G	Charlotte Christian HS, Davidson (2006-09)
		James Michael McAdoo	F	UNC (2011-14)
2016	Cleveland Cavaliers	Kyrie Irving	G	Duke (2010-11)
		Dahntay Jones	F	Duke (2001-03)
2017	Golden State Warriors	Steph Curry	G	Charlotte Christian HS, Davidson (2006-09)
		James Michael McAdoo	F	UNC (2011-14)
		David West	F	Garner HS
2018	Golden State Warriors	Quinn Cook	G	Duke (2011-15)
		Steph Curry	G	Charlotte Christian HS, Davidson (2006-09)
		David West	F	Garner HS
2019	Toronto Raptors	Danny Green	G	UNC (2005-09)
2020	Los Angeles Lakers	Devontae Cacok	F	UNC Wilmington (2015-19)
		Quinn Cook	G	Duke (2011-15)
		Danny Green	G	UNC (2005-09)
2021	Milwaukee Bucks	Justin Jackson	F	UNC (2014-17)
		Jeff Teague	G	Wake Forest (2007-09)
		P.J. Tucker	F	Raleigh Enloe HS
2022	Golden State Warriors	Steph Curry	G	Charlotte Christian HS, Davidson (2006-09)
2023	Denver Nuggets	Ish Smith	G	Central Cabarrus HS, Wake Forest (2006-10)
		Jack White	F	Duke (2016-20)