



Name	Cole Briggs
DOB	20/08/1997
Nationality	New Zealander
Player Status	Placed
Playing Role	Wicket-Keeper
Batting Style	RH Opening Bat
Bowling Style	N/A
Entry Route	International Sportsperson Visa

Cole Briggs announced himself on New Zealand's domestic circuit in dramatic fashion in February 2021.

The Pretoria-born youngster enjoyed a sensational few days against the Central Stags hitting 101 on his Auckland Aces debut, followed by 99 two days later in the Ford Trophy (List A) competition.

Opening with New Zealand A all-rounder Sean Solia, he broke the record for the Aces highest opening stand (226), then backed up with another century partnership in his second match. His combined 200 runs were scored off 208 balls with 18 fours and 5 fixtures. It's fair to say, Briggs had announced himself on the domestic stage.

The batter, who doubles as a gifted keeper, would go on to make his Auckland Plunket Shield (first-class), and Super Smash (T20) debuts during the 2021 calendar year.

Briggs, who was a member of Auckland's championship-winning Under-17, and 19 tournament sides, has long been regarded as a player for the future. He was a schoolboy prodigy, skippering his Rangitoto College, with whom he earned the MVP award in 2015. He represented Auckland through the age groups and was named in the New Zealand Under-17 tournament side.

The gloveman transitioned to Premier club cricket, and he continued to shine playing for East Coast Bays. He was named Club Captain for the 2020/21 season and won the Club's MVP, and Auckland Cricket's Don Coleman Cup for the

most memorable innings that summer. His success culminated with Aces inclusion and, as they say, the rest is history.

Briggs looks set for a bright future in New Zealand domestic cricket and has secured yet another Auckland Aces contract for the 2023/24 season.

The Ace, who has a BSC (in Biology and Environmental Science) from the University of Auckland, is now set to reignite his overseas adventures following prior European trips in 2016 (Micklehurst CC - England), and 2022 (Kampong - Holland). His last stint was a productive one, finishing narrowly outside the top 10 Topklasse run scorers with 691 runs at 36.37.

For the 2024 season, he is set for an English return having signed with Harpenden for their Hertfordshire League campaign.

Overseas Statistics

Team (Season)	Mts	Inns	NO	Runs	HS	Ave	Ovs	Runs	Wkts	BB	Avg
Kampong (2022)	21	21	2	691	63	36.37	-	-	-	-	-
Micklehurst (2016)	22	19	1	367	66	20.39	9	58	1	1/33	58.00

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