

DALE PHILLIPS

Batting All-Rounder (Spin)



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| Name | Dale Phillips |
| DOB | 15-10-1998 |
| Nationality | New Zealander |
| Player Status | Available |
| Playing Role | Batting All-Rounder (Spin) |
| Batting Style | RH Top Order Bat |
| Bowling Style | RA Off Spin |
| Entry Route | International Sportsperson Visa |
| Coaching Qualifications | ECB Core Coach |

Dale Phillips is an exciting prospect and key member of the Otago Volts in New Zealand domestic cricket.

A gifted batter who bowls handy off-spin, Phillips has represented the New Zealand Under-19s, was Otago's "Young Player of the Year" (2020/21), and has developed into one of the form batters in domestic cricket, particularly in New Zealand's Plunket Shield (first-class) competition.

Dale is the younger sibling of bruising Blackcap's bat Glenn. The brothers are part of an elite club. They are only the fourth pair of siblings to have played for New Zealand at the same Under-19 World Cup, after the Marshalls (Hamish and James in 1998), McCullum's (Brendon and Nathan in 2000), and Bracewell's (Mark and Doug in 2010).

He would go on to not only play the ICC Under-19 World Cup in Bangladesh (Jan/Feb 2016), but also a second in New Zealand (Jan 2018) where he would finish second to Blackcaps T20 star Finn Allen on the run averages (58).

Phillips would go on to make his respective debuts for Otago in the Plunket Shield (Oct 2019), Ford Trophy (List A - Nov 2019), and Super Smash (T20 - Dec 2019). He was contracted by the Volts ahead of the 2020/21 and has since dominated the domestic game.

In first-class cricket, he scored his maiden hundred (149) amongst 419 runs at 41.90 during the 2020/21 Plunket Shield campaign, then backed up with 587 runs at 45.15 in 2021/22 to finish as the fourth leading run-scorer across the

country. In 2022/23, the trend continued with another ton (129) en-route to 451 runs at 32.21.

However, last summer (2023/24), Phillips took his game to another level, topping the first-class run charts with 686 runs at 49 with two further centuries.

The run machine now boasts 2,184 runs at 39 in his 33 first-class matches. He also averages mid-20s in List A cricket and has been earmarked for higher honours in the not-too-distant future.

Phillips is quite the prospect who, to continue his development, enjoyed a strong maiden stint abroad in 2023 playing for Rishton in the Lancashire League (733 runs at 31 wickets).

After a season away, Phillips is now open to a UK return for the 2025 season and will be a seriously sought-after commodity.

Overseas Statistics

| Team (Season) | Mts | Inns | NO | Runs | HS | Ave | Ovs | Runs | Wkts | BB | Avg |
|-----------------------------|-----|------|----|------|-----|-------|-----|------|------|------|-------|
| Rishton Cricket Club (2023) | 24 | 22 | 0 | 733 | 126 | 33.32 | 217 | 942 | 31 | 4-44 | 30.39 |

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