

DILEEPA JAYALATH

Spin Bowler



Dileepa Jayalath is a talented left-arm spinner playing for Bloomfield Cricket and Athletic Club in Sri Lankan domestic cricket.

Name	Dileepa Jayalath
DOB	07/09/1997
Nationality	Sri Lankan
Player Status	Placed
Playing Role	Bowler (Spin)
Batting Style	RH Lower Order Bat
Bowling Style	SLA Orthodox Spin
Entry Route	International Sportsperson Visa
Coaching Qualifications	ECB Core Coach

During Sri Lanka's Major Club Emerging 3-Day tournament (Feb-March 2022), he bagged career-best figures against Negombo, taking 5-wickets in each innings (5/62 and 5/79). Jayalath would go on to finish as one of the tournament's highest wicket-takers with 23 wickets at 22.04.

Jayalath, who comes highly recommended by several Bloomfield players, including fellow CricX star Sachin Jayawardena, headed into the Emerging Tournament (Feb 2022) in great form having topped Bloomfield's wicket-charts in the SLC Limited Overs Tournament a few months prior (9 wickets at 14 in Nov 2021).

His recent success has, though, come as no surprise. The former Ananda College star was a stand-out, helping his side to the Under-19 school championship title (topping his school's wicket charts in 2016/17). He was a key member of provincial under-19 and 23 sides and helped his side to the Mercantile C division champions award in 2019.

He broke into domestic cricket in the same year, then became the highest wicket-taker for Bloomfield in the Under-23 tournament in 2020. Unfortunately, COVID struck halting his progress, but clearly, he has returned to impress on the domestic circuit.

The talented tweaker is clearly a star in the making, he is also known to hit the ball hard in the lower order. He is also an intelligent cricketer, who has captained Bloomfield's Under-23 side in 2020.

The left-armers evidenced his undoubted talent abroad over the past two seasons. His maiden stint in 2022 for Orrell Red Triangle in the strong Liverpool and District Competition yielded 83 wickets at 17.93 in all forms of cricket alongside 358 runs at 18.84. On his return in 2023, this time for Cookham Dean in the Thames Valley League (Div 1), he continued to shine with 54 wickets at 13.31 and 256 runs at 13.47.

Given his success, both home and abroad, Jayalath has been recruited to play in the Kent League next summer having signed with Tunbridge Wells for their 2024 campaign.

Overseas Statistics

Team (Season)	Mts	Inns	NO	Runs	HS	Ave	Ovs	Runs	Wkts	BB	Avg
Cookham Dean (2023)	28	23	4	256	49	13.47	218	719	54	5/34	13.31
Orrell Red Triangle (2022)	30	24	5	358	58*	18.84	430.3	1488	83	8/35	17.93

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