



ANDY JACKSON

HEAD COACH

When searching for continued dominance in recent years across the sport of men's tennis, followers of the game should look no further than Gainesville, Fla., where sixth-year University of Florida head coach Andy Jackson has fashioned a start better than that of any other coach in the history of the program.

After inheriting a team that went 9-17 the year before he arrived, Jackson has taken

the program to new heights. A pair of SEC Championships (2003 and 2005) and runner-up showings (2004 and 2006) as well as the program's third SEC Tournament crown (2005) are indicative of the immediate turnaround. In addition, the 2006 Gators advanced to the NCAA Round of 16 for the fifth-straight season and before falling to eventual national champion Pepperdine. Coach Jackson also guided the Gators to the No. 1 position in the ITA Poll for the

first time in school history (Jan. 31 poll) during the 2006 campaign.

In 2005, the Gators matched the deepest run ever by a UF squad in the NCAA Tournament as a shutout of rival Florida State in the quarterfinal round propelled Florida into the semifinals of the event for the second time ever. Since arriving at UF, Jackson has taken control of the Gators and capped a dramatic transition which has resulted in an overall 102-34 (.750) mark in five years and three SEC Eastern Division titles in the last four years. Additionally, he is the only coach in school history to take a team to the NCAA tournament in each of his first five years and the only individual to ever win an SEC title at two different member institutions. Twice he has been recognized by his peers as he was named the SEC Coach of the Year in 2002 and the SEC Co-Coach of the Year in 2005.

With a head coaching vacancy at the University of Florida in the spring of 2001, Athletics Director Jeremy Foley was searching for just the right combination of elite coaching experience and strong work ethic to fit the university's philosophy and expectations of excellence. The two recognized their mutual visions for the Gator men's tennis program and on June 19, 2001, an enthusiastic Jackson was named Florida's head coach.

"There are so many things that attracted me to Florida," Jackson said. "It is in the Southeastern Conference, which is where I grew up as a fan, where I played at Kentucky and have coached my entire career. I've always wanted to be in the SEC. It's the best conference in the country and that's very exciting. Florida clearly has the best weather within the SEC, which for tennis is crucial. Florida is one of the best academic schools in the SEC, which for tennis is also



In five years, Andy Jackson has completed a transformation in Gainesville. Since inheriting a team that finished 9-17 the year before his arrival, Jackson's list of accomplishments has grown:

- The Gators have never finished below a tie for third in the SEC under Jackson. Jackson became the first head coach in Gator history to start his Florida career with top three conference finishes in each of his first five years
- No. 2 finish in the final edition of the 2003 ITA polls was the best in school history
- Guided the Gators to their first-ever national title match at the 2003 National Team Indoors
- 2003 and 2005 SEC Championship, 2004, 2006 SEC Runner-up finish making him the quickest coach in school history to bring a pair of conference titles to Gainesville
- 2005 SEC Tournament Champions

- 2003, 2004, 2005 SEC Eastern Division Champions
- First in SEC history to win an SEC title at two different member institutions
- Florida is 57-4 (.934) at home under Jackson and has lost only one conference tilt in Gainesville. In addition, UF has not lost an NCAA match on its home courts under Jackson.
- 23-0 in five seasons against in-state opponents
- Jackson is the only coach in UF history to take a squad to the NCAA tournament in each of his first five seasons at the helm.
- 2002 SEC Coach of the Year
- 2005 SEC Co-Coach of the Year
- 2005 Wilson/ITA Southeast Region Co-Coach of the Year



crucial. Florida has one of the finest facilities in the country and the support staff is exceptional.

"There's a good tradition here but a tradition that in my view can be built upon. These things are extremely exciting and on top of that, the Athletic Association clearly wants to do the sort of things that I want to be associated with. I'm excited because everyone in the administration is on the same page as the coaches here in terms of what needs to get done."

Prior to joining the Gators in the summer of 2001, Jackson coached the Mississippi State men's tennis team from 1989-2001 after serving as MSU's women's tennis head coach from 1984-89. In his 13 years as MSU men's coach,

Jackson compiled a 220-106 record (.675) with a 100-59 SEC record (.629).

Jackson's MSU teams advanced to the NCAA Semifinals in 1994 and 1998 and made five quarterfinal appearances. MSU received 11 consecutive NCAA bids, one of seven teams in the nation to do so. The Bulldogs finished each of Jackson's 13 years ranked in the final top 25 and finished in the top 10 for seven consecutive seasons from 1992-98.

Mississippi State also captured SEC regular season championships in 1992 and 1993 under Jackson, the 1991 SEC Coach of the Year. MSU won the SEC Tournament Championship in 1996 and has made three other appearances in the

THE ANDY JACKSON FILE

Birthdate: August 14, 1961

Hometown: Oneida, Ky.

High School: Franklin County (Ky.) High School, 1979

Education: University of Kentucky

Overall Head Coaching Record: 389-185 (23 seasons)

Men's Tennis Head Coaching Record: 322-140 (18 seasons)

Record at Florida: 102-34 (5 seasons)

Playing Career

Lettered at the University of Kentucky in 1983 and 1984... Played No. 2 singles and doubles for UK... Served as team captain in 1984, helping team to NIT Championship... UK's 1984 Outstanding Christian Athlete of the Year... Maintained a World Class ranking on the ATP Tour from June 1986 to July 1988.

Coaching Career

Women's Tennis Head Coach, Mississippi State University, 1984-89

Men's Tennis Head Coach, Mississippi State University, 1989-2001

Men's Tennis Head Coach, University of Florida, 2001-present

Coaching Highlights

Team

- 1994, '98. '05 NCAA Semifinalists
- 1994, '95, '96, '97, '98, '03, '05 NCAA Quarterfinalists
- 16 straight NCAA team appearances, including 12 straight NCAA team appearances (1991-2001) at MSU, one of only seven schools in the nation to reach 12 consecutive fields
- Advanced to NCAA final site in 15 of the last 16 years (10 at MSU and four at UF)
- 1993, '03, '05 SEC Champions

- 1996, '05 SEC Tournament Champions
- 1992, '93 SEC Regular Season Champions
- 1991, '93, '94, '03 SEC Tournament Runner-up
- 1991, '02, '05 SEC Coach of the Year
- Eighteen consecutive Top 25 finishes; has never missed the final top 25 as a men's coach (13 at MSU, five at UF)
- Ten Top 10 finishes
- Five 20-plus win seasons
- Four National Team Indoor semifinal berths

Individual

- Has coached NCAA Doubles Champions in both 1989 (Jackie Holden/Claire Pollard) and 1994 (Laurent Miquelard/Joc Simmons) and is the only coach in NCAA history to coach men's and women's NCAA doubles champions at the same school
- Has coached a total of nine collegiate grand slam event champions
- Has coached four different singles players and three different doubles teams to the No. 1 spot in the ITA rankings
- Thomas Dupré named 1997 National Player of the Year
- Has coached two SEC Players of the Year (Marco Baron - 2001, and Thomas Dupré 1997)
- Has coached the ITA National Rookie of the Year (Janne Holmia, 2003)
- Has coached two SEC Rookies of the Year (Janne Holmia, 2003; Greg Ouellette, 2005)
- Has coached 32 NCAA Singles qualifiers and 19 NCAA Doubles qualifiers
- Has coached 15 of the 16 All-Americans in MSU's men's tennis history
- Has coached five two-time Academic All-Americans
- Has coached 60 men's Academic All-SEC selections.

SEC Tournament final. MSU appeared three times in the semifinals of the National Team Indoors under Jackson, most recently in 1998.

Jackson coached Laurent Miquelard and Joc Simmons to the 1994 NCAA Doubles Championship. He also coached an NCAA Doubles Championship winning women's tandem in 1989 when Jackie Holden and Claire Pollard captured the title. He is the only coach in the history of collegiate tennis to coach both NCAA men's and women's doubles champions at the same school.

Jackson coached a total of nine collegiate grand slam event champions while at MSU. Under Jackson's tutelage, four different MSU singles players and three doubles teams have held the No. 1 spot in the ITA national rankings, including Marco Baron who finished the 2001 season on top of the collegiate tennis world in singles.

In 2001, Baron became the second Bulldog to earn SEC Player of the Year honors under Jackson, joining Thomas Dupré who in 1997 was honored as both the SEC and the national Men's Player of the Year. Dupré earned the national citation by capturing the first two legs

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of the collegiate grand slam (National Clay Court Championship and All-American) and finishing the year ranked No. 1 in the nation by the ITA. Dupré was also one of three Bulldog men's tennis players to be named an Academic All-American twice under Jackson.

A high school basketball and tennis star for Franklin County (KY) High School, Jackson soon found that at the University of Kentucky he would have better success playing the latter as opposed to the former. After all, his high school teams did post a 79-1 record in men's tennis during his time there. Jackson lettered at UK twice in tennis, playing at No. 2 in both singles and doubles while serving as a team captain for the Wildcats' 1984 NIT Championship squad. That spring Jackson collected UK's Outstanding Christian Athlete of the Year Award.

Jackson started his coaching career at Mississippi State as the head women's tennis coach in 1984. Jackson maintained an ATP Tour World Ranking in 1986-88 while coaching the MSU women's tennis team.

A Frankfort, Ky., native, Jackson was born David Andrew Jackson in Oneida, Ky., on August 14, 1961. He is a descendent of former United States President and War of 1812 hero Andrew Jackson along with Confederate General Thomas "Stonewall" Jackson.

JACKSON YEAR-BY-YEAR HEAD COACHING RECORD

Year	M/W	Overall	Pct.	SEC (Fin.)	Pct.	NCAA Tourn.	Final Rank
1985	W	7-15	.318	1-8 (7th)	.111	NR	
1986	W	19-8	.704	5-4 (5th)	.556	NR	
1987	W	15-7	.682	5-4 (4th)	.556	NR	
1988	W	14-8	.636	5-4 (4th)	.556	NR	
1989	W	12-7	.632	5-4 (5th)	.556	20th	
1989	M	16-8	.667	4-5 (15th)	.444	20th	
1990	M	12-11	.522	5-6 (6th)	.455	†25th	
1991	M	17-12	.586	5-7 (6th)	.417	Round of 16	20th
1992	M	19-6	.760	9-3 (4th)	.750	Round of 16	9th
1993	M	19-7	.731	12-2 (1st)	.857	Round of 16	7th
1994	M	21-7	.750	10-4 (2nd)	.714	Semifinals	3rd
1995	M	19-7	.731	10-3 (3rd)	.769	Quarterfinals	6th
1996	M	20-6	.769	11-4 (3rd)	.733	Quarterfinals	8th
1997	M	17-6	.739	8-4 (4th)	.667	Quarterfinals	6th
1998	M	21-5	.807	10-3 (3rd)	.769	Semifinals	4th
1999	M	13-12	.520	5-7 (9th)	.417	Round of 16	15th
2000	M	12-8	.600	6-5 (6th)	.546	Second Round	22nd
2001	M	14-11	.560	5-6 (15th)	.455	Round of 16	14th
2002	M	18-7	.720	7-4 (3rd)	.636	Round of 16	11th
2003	M	25-5	.833	11-0 (1st)	1.000	Round of 8	2nd
2004	M	18-8	.692	8-3 (2nd)	.727	Round of 16	8th
2005	M	24-6	.800	10-1 (1st)	.909	Semifinals	4th
2006	M	17-8	.680	8-3 (2nd)	.727	Round of 16	15th
Totals		389-185	.677	165-94	.637		

