

Bank Shot Basketball is back with one more deep dive into college basketball history with the long-awaited **COLLEGE SET 09**. The teams in this set range from 1945 to 2023.

The doctor is in! This set includes Julius Erving and 1971 UMass. Erving scored 26.9 PPG while pulling down 19.5 REB. We're also adding George Mikan (1945 DePaul) to your collection. Mikan was arguably the first great American basketball player. Here, he averaged 23.3 PPG but on a smaller volume of shots and total game points scored. Other key scorers in the set are Cazzie Russell (1966 Michigan) with 30.8 PPG, Bo Lamar (1972 SW Louisiana) with 36.3 PPG, Bernard King (1975 Tennessee) with 26.5 PPG, Lionel Simons (1990 La Salle) with 26.5 PPG, and Antoine Davis (2023 Detroit Mercy) with 28.2 PPG. Davis was attempting to beat Maravich's all-time NCAA scoring record and fell three points short (although, controversially, he had five seasons to accumulate stats in, whereas Maravich had three).

We have a championship team in 1964 UCLA (John Wooden's first title). We have Players of the Year in Patrick Ewing (1985 Georgetown), Danny Ferry (1989 Duke), Lionel Simmons (1990 La Salle), Andrew Bogut (2005 Utah), and Oscar Tshiebwe (2022 Kentucky). We have the top picks in the NBA Draft in Cazzie Russell, Andrew Bogut, and Kyrie Irving (2011 Duke).

There are some more interesting facets to this set, as we also have legendary coach Phil Jackson as a player at North Dakota (1966, 21.8 PPG), a legendary defensive team in 1982 James Madison that allowed 52 PPG and ranks as one of the best defenses of all-time still today, and we have a compelling doormat in 2007 Iona who owned and deserved their 2- 28 record.

Featured players (not yet mentioned) in the set include Gail Goodrich & Walt Hazzard (1964 UCLA), Dave Cowens (1969 Florida State), Bob McAdoo, George Karl, & Bobby Jones (1972 North Carolina), Ernie Grunfeld (1975 Tennessee), Dominique Wilkins & Vern Fleming (1981 Georgia), Steve Johnson (1981 Oregon State), Steve Stipanovich & Jon Sundvold (1983 Missouri), Phil Henderson, Christian Laettner, and Quin Snyder (1989 Duke), Tim Hardaway (1989 UTEP), Jerry Stackhouse & Rasheed Wallace (1995 North Carolina), Ray Allen (1996 Connecticut), Nick Collison & Kirk Hinrich (2003 Kansas), Dwyane Wade (2003 Marquette), Kyle Singler & Seth Curry (2011 Duke), Kawhi Leonard (2011 SDSU), Lauri Markkanen (2017 Arizona), and TyTy Washington (2022 Kentucky).

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Teams included (listed in ranked order by STP's Legacy Team Index): 1964 UCLA, 1985 Georgetown, 1945 DePaul, 1989 Duke, 1995 North Carolina, 2003 Kansas, 2011 Duke, 1972 North Carolina, 2003 Marquette, 1966 Michigan, 1996 Connecticut, 2005 Utah, 2017 Arizona, 2022 Kentucky, 1983 Missouri, 1981 Oregon State, 2011 San Diego State, 1990 La Salle, 1972 SW Louisiana, 1965 Illinois, 1982 James Madison, 1989 UTEP, 1981 Georgia, 1975 Tennessee, 1969 Florida State, 1971 Massachusetts, 2023 Detroit Mercy, 1991 Morehead State, 2007 Iona, 1966 North Dakota (Div II).

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