

Suns Select Alex Len with the No. 5 Pick in the 2013 NBA Draft

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Draft Express had [Alex Len](#) as No. 1 on their big board, and he was being considered for the top overall pick just over half an hour ago. Yet here he is at No. 5 and the Sun scooped him up.

ALEX LEN

- [SB Nation Scouting Report](#)
- Measurables: 7-foot-1, 255 pounds, 7-foot-3.5 wingspan
- Athletic testing: N/A

Alex Len is a rare true 7-footer who can impact the game on both ends of the floor. He has the ability to finish in the paint as well as step out and hit a 15-foot jump shot. He can also affect the game defensively with his size, length and athleticism.

I really like Alex Len. He was No. 5 on my board. However, Nerlens Noel and [Ben McLemore](#) were No. 1 and No. 2 on my board so this choice is, um, interesting. Apparently the rumors of the

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red-flagging

[Nerlens Noel's](#)

knee were a bit more than smoke. And McLemore is talented, but again true 7-footers are bit harder to come by than shooting guards who can shoot.

However, Len missed the combine and workouts due to a stress fracture in his ankle, and stress fractures can often spell doom for men as large as Len. The Suns must not see it is a big issue though.

The other thing about this selection is that it means the Suns really can move [Marcin Gortat](#). I don't think we're quite finished with this lottery...

Poll **What do you think about this pick?**

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- I hate it.
- I like Len, but he wasn't my top choice based on who was left (Noel, McLemore).
- I love it!

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