

NBA Summer League Game Preview: Phoenix Suns vs. Portland Trail Blazers

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When: Saturday, July 13, 2013, 5:30 PM local time (8:30 EST)

Where: Thomas and Mack Center, Las Vegas, NV

Watch: The game is being shown on tape delay on NBA TV at 10:30 PM (local time). DVR is always an option. If you don't have access to NBA TV or would rather watch it live, the entire summer league slate can be streamed online via a [\\$14.99 subscription on NBA.com.](#)

PHOENIX SUNS						
20	Thomas Amberscrombie	F	6-6	207	7/3/1987	Washington St. R
2	Chris Babb	C	6-9	215	2/24/1990	Iowa St. R
22	Quante Christmas	G	6-5	205	9/25/1986	Tennessee R
25	Jahe Cohen	F	6-10	235	9/25/1990	Dartmouth R
30	Quane Gammitt	G	6-4	175	11/3/1988	Iowa St. F
29	Archie Goodwin	G	6-5	186	8/27/1994	Kentucky R
12	Kendall Marshall	G	6-4	200	8/28/1991	North Carolina F
33	Marcus Morris	F	6-9	215	9/2/1989	Kansas F
31	Markell Morris	C	6-10	245	9/2/1989	Kansas F
41	Arron O'Quinn	C	6-9	276	7/18/1987	Syracuse R
45	Alan Oriakh	F	6-9	215	6/21/1990	Missouri R
17	Pat Tucker	F	6-6	235	3/20/1985	Texas F

PORTLAND TRAIL BLAZERS						
5	Will Barton	G/F	6-6	177	1/6/1992	Memphis F
38	Vince Carter	F	6-9	224	8/26/1980	Spain/Fra. F
23	Allen Crabbe	G	6-6	187	4/5/1992	California R
10	Omari Spencer	F	6-8	237	3/3/1990	Nevada R
39	Joel Freeland	F/C	6-10	235	2/27/1987	UC/Ind. F
24	Trent Harris	G	6-6	190	8/20/1987	Oklahoma St. F
4	Cedric Jackson	G	6-3	190	3/3/1986	Cleveland St. F
32	Dallas Lauderdale	C	6-9	260	9/11/1988	Ohio St. R
11	Meyan Leonard	C	7-3	220	2/27/1990	Illness F
0	Damian Lillard	G	6-3	185	7/15/1990	Webster St. F
3	CJ McCollum	G	6-3	197	9/29/1991	Lough F
43	Thomas Robinson	F	6-7	184	3/13/1991	Kentucky F
7	Dexter Strickland	G	6-3	177	10/1/1990	North Carolina R

What to watch for:

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Not Alex Len. He's recovering from his second surgery in less than three months to treat stress fractures in both of his ankles. It's really a shame because it would have been nice to see him match up against the Blazers talented young center, Meyers Leonard.

Archie Goodwin. This guy's going to be around for a minute and this might be one of the best chances to get a sneak peek. He likely won't see a ton of playing time during the regular season being such a raw young talent. Interestingly, if Archie is back in Vegas for his last summer league two years from now he still won't be old enough to buy a beer.

Robinson vs. the Morri in a battle of underperforming power forwards from Kansas. Marshall vs. Strickland in a clash for powder blue supremacy.

C.J. McCollum starts his quest to stultify the nine teams that passed him over in last year's draft.

This will be new head coach Jeff Hornacek's first time acting in that capacity. It's summer league, but it's still good experience for a novice coach with a new team.

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Remember everyone. This year counts!

This will be the first year that a "champion" of the summer league is crowned.

Teams will play three games between July 12-16 and be seeded based on those results to compete in a single elimination tournament.

The point system is as follows:

3 points for a win

1 point for winning a quarter

.5 points for tying a quarter

Tiebreakers will be head-to-head record, overall point differential and (as a last result, awesomely) a coin flip.

Obviously this is mostly about getting eyes on new prospects and letting the coaches and players feel each other out, but winning is fun too.

Check out [Dave's Roster Announcement](#) and [Jacob's Summer League Primer](#) for additional info.

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