



66 LESTER COTTON

OFFENSIVE LINEMAN // 6-4 // 330 // ALABAMA '19

ACQUIRED: FA, '22

HOMETOWN: TUSCALOOSA, ALA. // BORN: 2/20/96

NFL: THIRD SEASON // DOLPHINS: THIRD SEASON

NFL CAREER

TRANSACTIONS:

- Signed to a reserve/future contract with Miami on Jan. 16, 2023.
- Signed to Miami's practice squad on Dec. 20, 2022.
- Waived by Las Vegas on Dec. 15, 2022.
- Signed to Las Vegas' practice squad on Sept. 1, 2021.
- Waived by Las Vegas on Aug. 31, 2021.
- Signed by Las Vegas on Feb. 9, 2021.
- Waived by Las Vegas on Sept. 5, 2020.
- Signed to Oakland's active roster on Dec. 21, 2019.
- Signed to Oakland's practice squad on Oct. 10, 2019.
- Waived by Oakland on Oct. 7, 2019.
- Signed to Oakland's active roster on Oct. 5, 2019.
- Signed to Oakland's practice squad on Sept. 1, 2019.
- Waived by Oakland on Aug. 31, 2019.
- Signed by Oakland as an undrafted college free agent on May 3, 2019.

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS:

- Played in 40 career games with 9 starts – 7 at left guard and 2 at right guard.
- 1 miscellaneous tackle.
- Played in 2 postseason games with 1 start with Miami.

2024 (MIAMI):

- Played in 9 games.
- VS. BUFFALO (9/12):** Played 36 snaps at left guard.
- AT L.A. RAMS (11/11):** Played 24 snaps at left guard.

2023 (MIAMI):

- Played in all 17 games with 8 starts – 7 at left guard and 1 at right guard.
- 1 miscellaneous tackle.
- VS. NEW ENGLAND (10/29):** Started at left guard.
- Protected QB Tua Tagovailoa who completed 30-of-45 passes for 324 yards and 3 TDs.
- VS. LAS VEGAS (11/19):** Started at left guard.
- Protected QB Tua Tagovailoa who completed 28-of-39 passes for 325 yards and 2 TDs.
- VS. N.Y. JETS (12/17):** Started at left guard.

- Protected QB Tua Tagovailoa who completed 21-of-24 passes for 224 yards and 1 TD.

POSTSEASON:

AFC WILD CARD AT KANSAS CITY (1/13): Played but did not record any stats.

2022 (LAS VEGAS/MIAMI):

- Signed to Miami's practice squad on Dec. 20.
- Played in 10 games with 1 start at right guard for Las Vegas.
- Dressed but did not play 1 game.
- Missed 2 games after being placed on injured reserve on Dec. 3.

VS. ARIZONA (9/18): Started at right guard.

- Made his 1st career start.

POSTSEASON:

AFC WILD CARD AT BUFFALO (1/15): Started at left guard.

- Made his Dolphins debut.

2021 (LAS VEGAS):

- Played in 3 games.
- Spent the rest of the season on Las Vegas' practice squad.

AT PITTSBURGH (9/19): Played but did not record any stats.

2020 (LAS VEGAS):

- Spent training camp and the offseason program with Las Vegas.

2019 (OAKLAND):

- Played in 1 game.
- Dressed but did not play 2 games.
- Spent the rest of the season on Oakland's practice squad.

AT L.A. CHARGERS (12/22): Played but did not record any stats.

- Made his NFL debut.

BEFORE THE NFL

COLLEGE (ALABAMA):

- 4-year letterman (2015-18) and 2-year starter.

CAREER: Played in 43 games with 28 starts – 16 at right guard and 12 at left guard.

SENIOR (2018): Played in 12 games with 10 starts at left guard.

JUNIOR (2017): Started 13 games at right guard.

- Co-recipient of the USC John McKay Award which recognizes competitive spirit.

SOPHOMORE (2016): Played in 14 games with 5 starts – 3 at right guard and 2 at left guard.

TRUE FRESHMAN (2015): Played in 4 games.

HIGH SCHOOL (CENTRAL HS – TUSCALOOSA, ALA.)

SENIOR (2014):

- 1st-team All-American.
- 1st-team all-state.

LESTER COTTON'S NFL REGULAR SEASON STATS

GAMES/STARTS: (Oakland) 2019: 1/0, (Las Vegas): 2021: 3/0, 2022: 10/1, (Miami) 2023: 17/8, 2024: 9/0 **NFL TOTALS: 40/9**

LESTER COTTON'S NFL PLAYOFF STATS

GAMES/STARTS: (Miami) 2022: 1/1, 2023: 1/0 **PLAYOFF TOTALS: 2/1**

ADDITIONAL STATS

Miscellaneous Tackles: (Miami) 1 in 2023.