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JEROME BAKER

LINEBACKER // 6-2 // 225 // OHIO STATE '18
 ACQUIRED: D3, '18
 HOMETOWN: CLEVELAND, OHIO // BORN: 12/25/96
 NFL: SIXTH SEASON // DOLPHINS: SIXTH SEASON



NFL CAREER

TRANSACTIONS:

- 3rd-round pick (73rd overall) by Miami in the 2018 NFL Draft.

CAREER HONORS:

- 2021 Walter Payton Man of the Year Nominee.
- AFC Defensive Player of the Month (December 2021).

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS:

- Played in 85 career games with 74 starts.
- 524 tackles (340 solo), 21.0 sacks, 3 interceptions, 18 passes defended and 6 forced fumbles; 1 interception return for a TD.
- 1 punt return for 0 yards (0.0 avg).
- 5 special teams tackles (3 solo).
- Started 1 postseason game.
- Led the Dolphins in tackles in 3 consecutive seasons from 2019-21.
- Became the 1st Dolphin since at least 2000 to record 500+ tackles in the 1st 5 years of his career.
- His 524 career tackles are 6th among his draft class.

MOST CAREER TACKLES (2018 DRAFT CLASS)

PLAYER	TM	TOT	SOLO	ASST
1. Roquan Smith	Chi/Bal.	735	470	265
2. Foye Oluokun	Atl./Jax.	684	425	259
3. Fred Warner	SF	666	434	232
4. Tremaine Edmunds	Buf/Chi.	604	384	220
5. Shaquille Leonard	Ind.	570	362	208
6. JEROME BAKER	MIA.	524	340	184
7. Jessie Bates	Cin./Atl.	509	344	165
8. Minkah Fitzpatrick	Mia./Pit.	478	315	163
9. Rashaan Evans	Ter./Atl.	476	282	194
10. Leighton Vander Esch	Dal.	457	292	165

- His 124 tackles in 2019 were 14th in the NFL.
- His 76 tackles in 2018 were 7th among rookie linebackers.
- Served as a team captain in 2019.

2023 (MIAMI):

- Started 4 games.
- 21 tackles (13 solo).

2022 (MIAMI):

- Started all 17 games.
- 100 tackles (66 solo), 4.0 sacks, 4 passes defended and 1 forced fumble.

VS. BUFFALO (9/25): 13 tackles (9 solo), 0.5 sack and 1 pass defended.

VS. HOUSTON (11/27): 4 tackles (3 solo), 1.0 sack and 1 forced fumble.

- Strip-sacked QB Kyle Allen on a 3rd-and-13 play in the 4th quarter to force a punt.

AT L.A. CHARGERS (12/11): 11 tackles (6 solo) and 1.0 sack.

- Sacked QB Justin Herbert in the 3rd quarter.

POSTSEASON:

AFC WILD CARD AT BUFFALO (1/15): 7 tackles, (4 solo) and 1.0 sack.

- Sacked QB Josh Allen for a loss of 7 yards on 2nd-and-8 in the 1st quarter.

2021 (MIAMI):

- Started 16 games.
- Inactive for 1 game.
- 92 tackles (62 solo), 5.5 sacks, 1 interception, 4 passes defended and 1 forced fumble.

VS. HOUSTON (11/7): 7 tackles (5 solo), 1 interception and 1 pass defended.

- Intercepted QB Tyrod Taylor in the 2nd quarter.

VS. N.Y. JETS (12/19): 7 tackles (4 solo) and 2.0 sacks.

- Sacked QB Zach Wilson for a loss of 9 yards in the 2nd quarter.

- Sacked QB Zach Wilson for a loss of 10 yards on 3rd-and-12 in the 4th quarter to force a punt.

AT NEW ORLEANS (12/27): 6 tackles (5 solo) and 1.5 sacks.

- Sacked QB Ian Book for a loss of 7 yards on 3rd-and-6 in the 1st quarter.

- Split a sack of QB Ian Book with S Jevon Holland for a loss of 12 yards in the 4th quarter.

AT TENNESSEE (1/2): 7 tackles (6 solo) and 1.0 sack.

- Sacked QB Ryan Tannehill for a loss of 10 yards on 3rd-and-6 in the 3rd quarter.

HONORS:

- Walter Payton Man of the Year Nominee.
- AFC Defensive Player of the Month (December).

2020 (MIAMI):

- Played in all 16 games with 11 starts.

- 111 tackles (69 solo), 7.0 sacks, 3 passes defended and 2 forced fumbles.
- 1 solo special teams tackle.

AT NEW ENGLAND (9/13): 16 tackles (12 solo), 1.0 sack and 1 forced fumble.

- Sacked QB Cam Newton for a loss of 9 yards in the 1st quarter.
- His 16 tackles were the most by a Dolphins player since 2014.

AT SAN FRANCISCO (10/11): 7 tackles (6 solo) and 1.0 sack; 1 solo special teams tackle.

- Sacked QB C.J. Beathard for a loss of 9 yards in the 3rd quarter.

VS. KANSAS CITY (12/13): 9 tackles (5 solo) and 2.5 sacks.

- Sacked QB Patrick Mahomes for a loss of 30 yards on 3rd-and-12 in the 1st quarter.
- Sacked QB Patrick Mahomes again in the 2nd quarter for a loss of 5 yards.
- Split a sack with DT Christian Wilkins of QB Patrick Mahomes on 3rd-and-6 in the 4th quarter.
- His 30-yard sack is the longest in Dolphins history and longest in the NFL since 2015.
- Became 1st NFL player to record at least 2.5 sacks in one game against QB Patrick Mahomes.

2019 (MIAMI):

- Played in 16 games with 15 starts.
- 124 tackles (74 solo), 1.5 sacks, 1 interception, 4 passes defended and 2 forced fumbles.
- 1 solo special teams tackle.
- His 124 tackles (74 solo) were 14th in the NFL and 1st among all players in the 2018 draft class.
- Served as a team captain.

AT INDIANAPOLIS (11/10): 8 tackles (7 solo), 1.0 sack and 1 forced fumble.

- Strip-sacked QB Brian Hoyer on 2nd-and-13 in the 2nd quarter, moving the Colts out of field goal range.

AT N.Y. GIANTS (12/15): 12 tackles (6 solo), 1 interception and 1 pass defended.

- Intercepted QB Eli Manning in the 3rd quarter.

VS. CINCINNATI (12/22): 12 tackles (7 solo), 0.5 sacks and 1 pass defended.

- Sacked QB Andy Dalton on a 3rd-and-10 in the 1st quarter.

2018 (MIAMI):

- Played in all 16 games with 11 starts.
- 76 tackles (56 solo), 3.0 sacks, 1 interception and 3 passes defended; 1 interception return for a TD.
- 1 punt return for 0 yards (0.0 avg.).
- 3 special teams tackles (1 solo).
- His 76 tackles were 7th among rookie linebackers.

AT CINCINNATI (10/7): 6 solo tackles and 2.0 sacks; 1 assisted special teams tackle.

- Sacked QB Andy Dalton on third-and-10 for a loss of 9 yards in the 3rd quarter, forcing Cincinnati to punt.
- Sacked QB Andy Dalton again on third-and-1 for a loss of 10 yards in the 3rd quarter, holding Cincinnati to a field goal.
- The last Dolphins rookie to have 2.0 sacks in a game was DE Olivier Vernon on 10/14/12 vs. St.

Louis, while the last rookie linebacker to do so for Miami was Derrick Rodgers on 10/12/97 at N.Y. Jets.

VS. N.Y. JETS (11/4): 5 tackles (4 solo), 1 interception and 1 pass defended.

- Intercepted QB Sam Darnold on 2nd-and-9 with 10:56 remaining in the 4th quarter and returned it 25 yards for a TD, extending Miami's lead to 13-3.

AT BUFFALO (12/30): 6 solo tackles and 1.0 sack.

- Sacked QB Josh Allen on 1st-and-10 for a loss of 9 yards in the 1st quarter.

BEFORE THE NFL

COLLEGE (OHIO STATE):

- 3-year letterman (2015-17) and 2-year starter.

CAREER: Played in 33 games with 25 starts; 158 tackles (90 solo), 7.0 sacks, 2 interceptions, 5 passes defended, 1 forced fumble and 3 fumble recoveries.

JUNIOR (2017): Started 13 games; 72 tackles (42 solo), 3.5 sacks, 3 passes defended, 1 forced fumble and 2 fumble recoveries.

- Honorable mention All-Big Ten.

SOPHOMORE (2016): Played in all 13 games with 12 starts; 83 tackles (45 solo), 3.5 sacks, 2 interceptions, 2 passes defended and 1 fumble recovery.

- Honorable mention All-Big Ten.
- His 83 tackles were second on the team.

TRUE FRESHMAN (2015): Played in 7 games; 3 solo tackles.

HIGH SCHOOL (BENEDICTINE HS – CLEVELAND, OHIO)

SENIOR (2014):

- Helped his school win the state championship.
- 1st-team all-state.
- Co-defensive player of the year in Ohio.

OFF THE FIELD

COMMUNITY:

2022:

- Held the 4th annual Season of Giving Event at the Hank Kline Boys & Girls Club of Miami-Dade to provide holiday gifts for 100 kids.
- Partnered with the North Miami Police Department to host a Thanksgiving meal distribution for 50 South Florida families.

2021:

- Held the 3rd annual Season of Giving event at the Miami Northwest Boys & Girls Club to provide holiday gifts for children ages 6-10.
- Partnered with the North Miami Police Department to host a Thanksgiving meal distribution for 20 South Florida families.
- Partnered with a minority-owned food truck to provide meals for first responders who worked tirelessly in the recovery efforts of the Surfside condo building collapse and delivered water and supplies.
- Led the charge with the City of North Miami to collect and transport supplies for the people of Haiti following the devastating earthquake in August.

- Hosted a Christmas in July event for children at the Boys & Girls Club, spending the day with the students and also providing back-to-school supplies and gifts.

2020:

- Held his 2nd annual Season of Giving event at the Miami Northwest Boys & Girls Club, appearing virtually to surprise the kids with holiday gifts.
- Hosted a socially-distanced backpack giveaway at his high school alma mater, Benedictine, to assist Cleveland-area youth during the pandemic.

2019:

- Held the 1st Season of Giving event to provide holiday gifts for children at the Miami Northwest Boys & Girls Club.
- Served as the player ambassador for Florida Fuel

Up to Play 60 initiative encouraging access and consumption of proper nutrition and physical activity for local youth.

2018:

- Participated in a police ride along through Football Unites.
- Joined the Microsoft Digital Skills All-Star program.
- Established his Expand the Land Foundation to inspire youth and provide mentorship and programming in South Florida and his hometown of Cleveland.

PERSONAL:

- **MAJOR:** Criminology.

JEROME BAKER'S NFL REGULAR SEASON STATS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES			SK	YDS	INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES	
				TOT	SOLO	ASST			INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR
2018	MIAMI	16	11	76	56	20	3.0	28.0	1	25	25t	1	3	0	0
2019	MIAMI	16	15	124	74	50	1.5	13.0	1	34	34	0	4	2	0
2020	MIAMI	16	11	111	69	42	7.0	69.5	0	0	0	0	3	2	0
2021	MIAMI	16	16	92	62	30	5.5	52.0	1	0	0	0	4	1	0
2022	MIAMI	17	17	100	66	34	4.0	19.5	0	0	0	0	4	1	0
2023	MIAMI	4	4	21	13	8	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NFL TOTALS		85	74	524	340	184	21.0	182.0	3	59	34	1	18	6	0

JEROME BAKER'S NFL PLAYOFF STATS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES			SK	YDS	INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES	
				TOT	SOLO	ASST			INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR
2022	MIAMI	1	1	7	4	3	1.0	7.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PLAYOFF TOTALS		1	1	7	4	3	1.0	7.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

ADDITIONAL STATS

Defensive Touchdowns: 25-yard interception return vs. N.Y. Jets (11/4/18).
Special Teams Tackles: 3 in 2018, 1 in 2019, 1 in 2020 for total of 5.

SINGLE-GAME CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 16 at New England, 9/13/20
Sacks: 2.5 vs. Kansas City, 12/13/20
Interceptions: 1 3 times, last: vs. Houston, 11/7/21
Passed Defensed: 2 vs. L.A. Rams, 11/1/20
Forced Fumbles: 1 4 times, last: vs. Buffalo, 9/19/21