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## Phoenix Suns Acquire Forward Kevin Durant

## Blockbuster Trade is Complete Hours Before Deadline

**Phoenix, AZ.** – The Phoenix Suns today agreed on a monumental four-team trade deal with the Brooklyn Nets, Milwaukee Bucks and Indiana Pacers. The Suns send Cam Johnson, Mikal Bridges, four future first-round picks and a 2028 first-round pick swap to Brooklyn in return for two-time NBA Finals Champion Kevin Durant and former Phoenix Sun T.J. Warren.

"The Suns are hopeful and excited about the terms of this deal and the future of this organization. We believe that both Durant and Warren will add to the Suns culture, creating energy that the team can build off of," Suns Governor Mat Ishbia said. "Everyone at the organization, from employees to players, sustaining a winning culture is a top priority and I'm confident that this trade will support that mission."

"There's no doubt that we will miss our guys, as they will always be a part of the Suns family and have made a tremendous impact on the team and organization," said Monty Williams, Head Coach, Phoenix Suns. "In terms of Durant, we are excited to welcome him to the family and ready to get him acclimated to our organization. His talent, basketball IQ and love for the game will be an asset to our team in more ways than one."

Durant played the last two and a half seasons with the Brooklyn Nets. Durant averaged 29.8 points on .538 from the field and .909 from the free throw line, with 7.1 rebounds and 5.8 assists. This 6-10, 240-pound forward is a 13-time NBA All-Star, three-time gold medalist and ranks 16th overall in career points with 26,684.

The NBA Veteran holds career averages of 29.5 points, 6.8 rebounds and 5.2 assists in 981 games. Of those 981 total career games, Durant has started in 978 of them. After just one season with the University of Texas, he was drafted second overall in the 2007 NBA Draft, by the G League Seattle Supersonics. The University of Texas has since retired his jersey.

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## About the Phoenix Suns

Established in 1968, the Phoenix Suns have created a historical presence in the valley on and off the court. With three conference and eight division titles, the Phoenix Suns have established a loyal, influential and unique fan base. For frequent team updates, follow the Suns on <u>Instagram</u> and <u>Twitter</u> @Suns and on <u>TikTok</u> @Phoenixsuns.

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