

SOLOMON THOMAS

STANFORD

Height: 6'3" Weight: 273 Arms: 33"

Combine:

40 yd Dash: 4.69 3 Cone: 6.95 20 yd Shuttle: 4.28 Vert: 35"

| <u>Pros:</u> | <u>Cons:</u> |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - NFL Sized lower body, thick and powerful - Very strong, punches way above weight - Explosive first step penetrator - High end run stuffing potential - Quick hands and feet - Natural pass rusher with instincts - High intensity and effort, finishes plays - Locks out linemen and sheds blocks - Great gap discipline, keeps shoulder free | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Undefined pass rushing moves - Plays too high and gives up his chest on rush - Can be overwhelmed by double teams - Average outside threat, lined up at DE in 3-4 - Played out of position in college |

Summary: Solomon Thomas is one of the more intriguing prospects at the top of the draft this season. He's an incredible athlete without a defined position along the defensive line. He was highly regarded this past season, winning the Morris Trophy and was an AP All-American 3rd teamer amongst other accolades. He finished the season with a team high 61 tackles, 15 for loss, and eight sacks. Thomas plays with a level of aggression and confidence that jump out on film. He is incredibly strong at the point of attack and he sheds blocks with ease and authority. He's incredibly gap sound in both the run and passing games and utilizes quick hands and feet to win most matchups. He's a natural pass rusher that has a knack for creating pressure not with outside speed rushes, but with a variety of inside moves that keeps blockers guessing. Thomas is a high intensity player who takes no snaps off and is consistent and conditioned. The Coppell, Texas native has incredible run stuffing potential and fundamentals and is one of the most complete players along the defensive line in this draft. The issue with Thomas is simply playing out of position. He plays so much stronger on tape and it's shocking when you see he's more suited to play 4-3 end. No matter where he plays though, Thomas will be an all-pro level producer at the next level.