



# Jaire Alexander

## Louisville

**HEIGHT:** 5'10**WEIGHT:** 196**ARMS:** 32.5"**COMBINE:****40 YD DASH:** 4.38**3 CONE:** 6.71**20 YD SHUTTLE:** 3.98**VERT:** 35"

### PROS

- Hyper-electric corner with blazing athleticism
- Very fluid hips that can turn in any direction
- Feet to mirror just about any receiver
- Feisty corner who will throw his body around
- Great burst to the ball and ball skills
- Smart player with route recognition
- Zone skills to read and react

### CONS

- Small for NFL corner
- Was thrown over by QBs with big WRs
- Injury history is concerning
- Footwork is a bit wild, needs discipline
- More body control, less flailing
- Will fall for double move

## SUMMARY

Size is not necessarily a problem in the NFL for a corner. Sure, bigger is usually better, but there have been plenty of corner who stood under 6'0" tall and made a big impact at the next level. There's a very good chance that Jaire Alexander is one of them. Certainly when you cannot question Alexander's toughness. He is an aggressive tackler and will fly to ball and try to bring down players twice his size. As a corner, he's an electric, high intensity cover man who has the skills to play man and zone. His closing burst is one of the best in this draft class and he uses it to undercut routes and come up with big plays. Other than size, you can't ask for much more athletically. He's explosive out of his stance with great agility and deep speed. He doesn't have a great vertical but he puts himself in great position before the pass to get in the way of the receiver. He has natural ball skills and a knack for causing turnovers. He's so athletic that the Charlotte native gets away with some terrible footwork at times. He plays a shade too high and will waste too many steps bouncing around before the receiver gets into motion. This leads to some ugly, wide platforms that he tries to explode from towards the ball or bail out of. He flails a bit too much during the jamming phase at the line as well. If he plays with more consistency, he'll become a cover man that is unshakeable. Alexander is already a great zone corner with the ability to read routes, anticipate cuts, and drive to the ball. He missed a large part of this last year due to injury and the Louisville defense suffered greatly because of it. Alexander won't be able to cover every receiver in the NFL, but it's close. He's worthy of a look in the first round and should be the 2<sup>nd</sup> corner off the board.