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CHRISTIAN MATTHEW

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COLLEGE: VALDOSTA STATE

AGE: 27 HOMETOWN: COLUMBUS, GA

EXP. (NFL/RAVENS): 3/1 GP/GS (PLAYOFFS): 20/3



— KEY TRANSACTIONS —

- Signed to a Reserve/Future contract with the Ravens on 1/29/24
- Signed to the Baltimore Ravens' practice squad on 1/16/24
- Activated from the practice squad (standard elevation) on 11/27/23 (at Min.) and 1/7/24 (at GB)
- Signed to the Chicago Bears' practice squad on 10/4/23
- Released by Arizona on 10/2/23
- Re-signed by the Cardinals on 9/1/22
- Released by Arizona on 8/31/22
- Selected by the Arizona Cardinals in the seventh round (244th overall) of the 2022 NFL Draft

— CAREER HIGHLIGHTS —

- Played in six games (four with the Arizona Cardinals and two with the Chicago Bears) in 2023, primarily on special teams...Saw time in the Cardinals' first four games of the season, recording 1 ST tackle at Was. (9/10)...Signed to the Bears' practice squad after Week 4 and was activated at Min. (11/27/23) and at GB (1/7/24)
- Appeared in 14 games (three starts) for the Cardinals in 2022, contributing 18 tackles (11 solo) and 3 PD on defense, while adding 1 tackle on special teams...Started three of the team's final four games, making 5 tackles (3 solo) in the season finale at SF (1/8/23)...Also recorded 5 solo tackles and 1 PD in his first-career start at Den. (12/18/22)...Posted 1 tackle in his NFL debut vs. KC (9/11/22)

— PERSONAL —

- Graduated from Samford with a degree in Public Administration
- Was offered a store director position at a Walmart in Georgia and was close to accepting the position before his family and girlfriend convinced him to continue chasing his NFL dream
- Became the sixth Valdosta State player ever selected in the NFL Draft and the first Blazer ever drafted by the Cardinals...Was also one of only four Division II player chosen in the 2022 NFL Draft

2023: (RAVENS / BEARS / CARDINALS – 6/0, 0/0)

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- Recorded 5 solo tackles and 1 PD in his first-career start at Den. (12/18)
- Posted 1 tackle in his NFL debut vs. KC (9/11)

— COLLEGE —

- Saw action in a total of 42 games at Valdosta State (2020-21), Samford (2018-19) and Georgia Southern (2015-17), collecting collected 85 tackles (58 solo), 3 TFL, a half-sack, 2 INTs, 22 PD and a blocked kick
- As a senior in 2021, helped Valdosta State to a 12-2 record, its third-straight Gulf South Conference title and an appearance in the Division II National Championship game vs. Ferris State...Named first-team All-Gulf South Conference after playing in all 14 games and recording 37 tackles (26 solo), a half-sack, 1 INT, 15 PD and a blocked kick...Finished second in the GSC and 33rd nationally in PD per game (1.1)...Notched a season-high 6 tackles (5 solo) and 1 PD in the Division II semifinal vs. Colorado School of Mines...Posted 4 tackles (1 solo) and 5 PD vs. Delta State...Posted a 40-yard INT return for a TD vs. Shorter...Sat out the 2020 season due to COVID-19 concerns
- In 2019, appeared in 11 games for Samford and finished the year with 22 tackles (12 solo), 2 TFL and 4 PD...Notched a season-best 6 tackles (2 solo) and 1 PD at Tennessee Tech...Appeared in eight games and made 7 total tackles in 2018, mainly seeing action on special teams
- Did not see game action but made the Honor Roll at Georgia Southern in 2017
- In 2016, played in nine games (one start) and recorded 19 tackles (13 solo), 1 INT and 3 PD, while earning a spot on the Honor Roll in the spring...Recorded his first-career INT and had a season-high 5 tackles vs. Arkansas State...Redshirted as a true freshman in 2015
- Graduated from Samford with a degree in Public Administration

— HIGH SCHOOL —

- Prepped at Chattahoochee (Columbus, GA) HS, where he was named second-team All-State and first-team All-Bi-City performer as a senior in 2014, after totaling 29 catches for 629 yards and 4 TDs on offense, while posting 64 tackles and 4 INTs on defense...Named the Chattahoochee High School Offensive Player of the Year as a sophomore in 2012...Also ran track

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— MATTHEWS' COMMUNITY IMPACT —

- Joined several of his Arizona teammates in "Adopt-A-Family," helping pass out Christmas gifts to families in need (2022)
- Joined several Cardinals teammates on Thanksgiving, assisting with the distribution of more than 500 meals to families experiencing homelessness (2022)

CHRISTIAN MATTHEW'S NFL REGULAR SEASON DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

DATE	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES							INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES				ST				MISC			
				TK	S	A	TFL	YDS	SK	YDS	QBH	NO	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	TD	YDS	TK	S	A	FF	FR	S	A
2022	Cardinals	14	3	18	11	7	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
2023	Cardinals	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	
Went from Arizona to Chicago .																											
2023	Bears	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2023	TOTAL	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	
NFL TOTALS		20	3	18	11	7	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	

CHRISTIAN MATTHEW'S NFL POSTSEASON DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

DATE	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES							INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES				ST				MISC		
				TK	S	A	TFL	YDS	SK	YDS	QBH	NO	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	TD	YDS	TK	S	A	FF	FR	S
2023	Ravens	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NFL TOTALS		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

CHRISTIAN MATTHEW'S SINGLE-GAME HIGHS: DEFENSIVE

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| Total Tackles | 5 at San Francisco 49ers, Jan 08, 2023
...1 more at 5. | Passes Defensed | 1 at Atlanta Falcons, Jan 01, 2023
...2 more at 1. |
| Solo Tackles | 5 at Denver Broncos, Dec 18, 2022 | Special Teams Tackles | 2 vs. Los Angeles Chargers, Nov 27, 2022 |

CHRISTIAN MATTHEW'S 2023 GXG REGULAR-SEASON STATISTICS (CARDINALS/BEARS)

DATE	OPPONENT	P/S	TACKLES							INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES				ST				MISC		W/L	SCORE		
			TK	S	A	SK	YDS	TFL	YDS	QBH	NO	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	TD	YDS	TK	S	A	FF	FR			S	A
09/10	at Commanders	P	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	L	16-20	
09/17	Giants	P	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	L	28-31	
09/24	Cowboys	P	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	W	28-16	
10/01	at 49ers	P	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	L	16-35	
Went from Cardinals to Bears .																												
10/05	at Commanders																									W	40-20	
10/15	Vikings																									L	13-19	
10/22	Raiders																									W	30-12	
10/29	at Chargers																									L	13-30	
11/05	at Saints																									L	17-24	
11/09	Panthers																									W	16-13	
11/19	at Lions																									L	26-31	
11/27	at Vikings	P	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	W	12-10
12/10	Lions																									W	28-13	
12/17	at Browns																									L	17-20	
12/24	Cardinals																									W	27-16	
12/31	Falcons																									W	37-17	
01/07	at Packers	P	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	L	9-17
2023 TOTALS		6-0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	8-9	

CHRISTIAN MATTHEW'S 2023 GXG POSTSEASON STATISTICS (RAVENS)

DATE	OPPONENT	P/S	TACKLES							INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES				ST				MISC		W/L	SCORE	
			TK	S	A	SK	YDS	TFL	YDS	QBH	NO	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	TD	YDS	TK	S	A	FF	FR			S
01/20	Texans																									W	34-10
01/28	Chiefs																									L	10-17
2023 TOTALS			0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1-1