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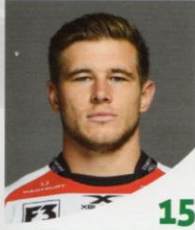
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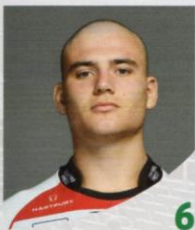
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TODAY'S VISITORS  
**GLOUCESTER  
RUGBY**



## DAVID HUMPHREYS

David Humphreys was announced as the next director of rugby at Gloucester Rugby in June 2014.

Belfast born, he began his playing career with his home province of Ulster, before enjoying a spell in the Premiership with London Irish prior to returning to Ulster ahead of the 1998/99 season.

That season saw him play a pivotal role in the Irish province lifting the Heineken Cup, defeating Colomiers in the final at Lansdowne Road.

Capped 72 times for his country, scoring 560 points, Humphreys spent the rest of his playing career with Ulster before retiring in 2008 and taking on the role of director of rugby at Ravenhill.

A qualified solicitor, his time at Ulster saw him oversee the province establish itself as one of the true giants of the European rugby scene, regularly reaching the knock out stages of the Heineken Cup.



## RUAN ACKERMANN

DOB: 29/12/1995  
BIRTHPLACE: PRETORIA, SA  
HEIGHT: 1.93M (6' 4")  
WEIGHT: 110KG (17ST 4LB)  
POSITION: FLANKER

Ruan Ackermann joined Gloucester Rugby from the Lions in the summer of 2017 and has played 19 times for the Cherry and Whites.

Ackermann made his Aviva Premiership debut during Gloucester's opening weekend victory over reigning Premiership champions Exeter Chiefs and has since played a key role in propelling the West Countrymen into the top six.

Ackermann made his first appearance for the Golden Lions in the 2015 Vodacom Cup, before being included in the Lions' Super Rugby squad for the 2016 season.

As well as this, Ackermann was called up to the Barbarians squad in the summer of 2016, playing against Samoa at the London Olympic Stadium.

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## BILLY TWELVETREES

DOB: 15/11/1988  
 BIRTHPLACE: CHICHESTER, ENGLAND  
 HEIGHT: 1.93M (6'4")  
 WEIGHT: 103KG (16ST 3LB)  
 POSITION: CENTRE  
 HONOURS: ENGLAND (22 CAPS)

Billy Twelvetrees joined Gloucester Rugby from the Leicester Tigers ahead of the 2012/13 season.

Originally from Sussex, Twelvetrees joined the Tigers Academy in 2007 and had a spell at Leicester Lions as well as scoring 18 tries, 16 conversions, and 13 penalties on loan for Bedford during the 2008/09 campaign.

Capped at Saxons level by England, Twelvetrees possesses an ideal mix of size and skill. He has a fine boot when kicking out of hand and is a more than capable goal kicker.

Twelvetrees quickly impressed with Gloucester and earned a call-up to England's Elite Player Squad for the 2013 Six Nations, making his debut against Scotland at Twickenham and scoring a try in the process.

A fine first season was reflected in his selection for the England tour of Argentina. He scored a try in the first test before being called up to the British & Irish Lions squad.

Twelvetrees then continued his fine form on the international stage coupled with picking up the captaincy for the Cherry and Whites, appearing in all five of England's 2014 RBS Six Nations fixtures.

He was named club captain of the Cherry and Whites ahead of the 2014/15 season and continued in that role the following term.

## GLOUCESTER RUGBY BY NUMBERS

STATS ACCURATE UP TO ROUND 17

466 PREMIERSHIP APPEARANCES

241 WINS

17 DRAWS

208 LOSSES

91

TOP POINTS SCORER  
**BILLY TWELVETREES**  
 (2017/18 SEASON)



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 TOP TRY SCORER  
**HENRY TRINDER**  
 (2017/18 SEASON)

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