

<u>JAMES COOK</u> **RUNNING BACK**



ROOKIE

SEPTEMBER 25, 1999 (AGE 22)



MIAMI, FL



MIAMI CENTRAL HS



GEORGIA



RAFT: 2022 (2ND RD)

SHOUTOUTS

- Appeared in 50 career games during his time at Georgia and totaled 1,503 yards and 14 touchdowns on 230 carries. Also contributed 67 receptions for 730 yards and six touchdowns.
- Played in all 15 games with three starts during his final season at Georgia in 2021 on a team that won the CFP Championship game. Totaled career-best numbers across the board in rushing with 113 attempts for 728 yards and seven touchdowns. Also set career-highs with 27 catches for 284 yards and 4 touchdowns.
- · Served as a team captain for multiple games during the 2021 season.
- Had a career-high 112 receiving yards in the Capital One Orange Bowl to help Georgia reach the National Championship.
- Was the second-leading rusher for Georgia in 2020 as he appeared in eight games and totaled 303 yards on 45 carries.
- Played in all 14 games with 3 starts and finished with a 6.1 yards per carry average and was co-winner of the team's Offensive Most Improved Played Award in 2019.

FIRST-AND-10

JAMES COOK was selected by the Bills in the second round (63rd overall) in 2022 after playing the last four seasons at Georgia. Played a key role in Georgia becoming the 2021 National Champions.

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FOLLOWING BIG BROTHER

James Cook did not have to look for to see what it would take to not only make the NFL, but to be successful at that level given that he is the younger brother of Dalvin Cook.

The elder Cook is a three-time Pro Bowler and has shown James how to make it, but also showed him that he can do it by taking his own path.

"That is a motivational factor just knowing that you've got an older brother in the NFL," Cook said to Dawgs247. "And that's someplace you want to be someday. So that just kind of make me wanted to work extra hard knowing that I had an older brother in the league and is a baller. That played a factor, too."

One of his first decisions to carve his own path was when he decided not to follow his older brother's path and to decommit from Florida State and attend the University of Georgia.

While there he was able to make his own name and earn something that Dalvin was never able to, which was to win a National Championship.

PERSONAL

Is the younger brother of Minnesota Vikings running back Dalvin Cook. Majored in Housing Management & Policy during his time at the University of Georgia. The son of Varondria Burnett and the late James Cook.



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CHASING THE GLORY

Cook returned to Georgia for the 2020 season with just one thing on his mind and that was the win the school's first national championship since 1980.

"My last year, knowing I had a purpose for why I came back and that was to win a national championship," Cook said to UGA Sports. "We hadn't won one in over 40 years, so we all came back for a purpose, and we wanted to do something special."

THE STAMPEDE

FAVORITE MUSICAL ARTIST: Lil Durk

FAVORITE FOOD: Chicken

PRE-GAME RITUAL: Listen to music

HOBBIES: Play video games

FAVORITE ICE CREAM FLAVOR: Vanilla or Strawberry

DREAM VACATION SPOT: Aruba

NUMBER ONE THING ON HIS BUCKET LIST: Win Rookie of the Year

