



A.C. Green spent 16 seasons in the NBA, and won three championships with the Los Angeles Lakers spanning three decades (in 1987, 1988, and 2000), beginning with teammates such as Showtimes' Magic Johnson, Coach Pat Riley, Kareem Abdul Jabbar, and James Worthy, and ending with Shaquille O'Neal, Kobe Bryant, Robert Horry, Derek Fisher, and Coach Phil Jackson. A.C. is the only player in Laker history to win championships in both the "Fabulous" Forum and Staples Center. A.C. also played with Charles Barkley and the Phoenix Suns, Dirk Nowitzki and the Dallas Mavericks, and Alonzo Mourning's Miami Heat.

A.C. attended Oregon State, and graduated with a degree in Speech Communication. During college, A.C. was a third-team All-American as a senior, and the 1984 PAC-10 Player of the Year. He led the Oregon State Beavers to the NCAA tournament three times, their most success coming during their 1982 "Elite Eight" appearance where they unfortunately lost to Patrick Ewing's Georgetown Hoyas.

A.C. was the Lakers' first-round selection in the 1985 college draft, 23rd selection overall. He became the first Lakers' rookie since LeRoy Ellis in the 1962-63 season to appear in every game. He was selected by NBA coaches to the league's all-defensive second team in 1988-89, and was voted by his fans as a starter for the 1990 NBA All-Star Game. A.C. recorded a career high 35 points on January 15, 1994.

A.C. is known as the NBA's Iron Man, having played in 1,192 straight games (surpassing Randy Smith's 907 consecutive games played on November 20, 1997). Green's consecutive games played streak began on November 19, 1986, when the Los Angeles Lakers defeated the San Antonio Spurs in San Antonio. The streak ended on April 18, 2001 when the Miami Heat defeated t...

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