

Gurley	Todd	Georgia	RB	I 8.82
Last Name 6'1"	First Name 226	College N/A	Position	Final Grade
Height	Weight	40 speed		
ATHLETIC ABILITY	SECTION GRADE:		9.0	
Q.A.B Quick Feet C.O.D. Flexibility Coordination	Gurley is an extremely explosive back with breakaway ability once getting through the whole. He is one of those players you will not catch from behind as a former track star for Team USA. He has a rare combination of speed, acceleration, quickness, and agility that is seen in very few athletes across the board. He possesses great burst with an exceptional ability to accelerate through the hole. He has a very smooth running style with very long strides and an impressive ability to stop and start as well as cut on a dime without losing any top speed due to how fluid his movements are as a natural freak of an athlete.			
COMPETITIVENESS	SECTION GRADE:		9.0	
Toughness Clutch Play Production Consistency Team Player Pride / Quit	Gurley is an extremely consistent back as it seems he never has a bad game even though he does not always get that many touches. His production speaks for himself, as he has never had a season with a yard per carry average of fewer than 6 as well as amassing 44 touchdowns in only 30 career games. He runs with violence and has a very competitive spirit that you like to see in a player. Gurley also shows toughness and strength through every play, as he does not quit until the play is over. When he gets injured during a game he comes out of the locker room in street cloths and cheers his teammates on as well as pumps up the crowd. This shows the type of heart that he has for the team that he represents.			
MENTAL ALERTNESS	SECTION GRADE:		9.0	
Learn / Retain Inst/Reaction Concentration	Has an incredible feel for the position as he makes it look so natural and easy on every down. He shows great concentration at the line of scrimmage as he always gets into his stance and then observes the field before the snap for running lanes. When he gets stuffed behind the line of scrimmage he reads the defense and makes adjustments for future plays. One of the keys to his game that is vital for the next level is his ball security, only coughing up the ball 3 times in 510 carry carries. He also has the ability to react to situations before they happen, being the reason that he is the clear cut #1 back in this class.			
STRENGTH / EXPLOSION	SECTION GRADE:		8.6	

Body Type	Gurley has a comparable frame to that of Adrian Peterson with some more meat on him. He regularly breaks tackles and carries defenders with him whenever he has the ball in his hands. He makes people miss as he explodes towards the sidelines and cuts up field almost on every play that goes outside. Once he see's the hole there is no catching him. He has shown that he can carry the load and be a workhorse every down back at the next level as well as make the most of his opportunities if only given a few carries. However, with all of this being said, there are some durability concerns as he has missed 3 games in 2013 due to an ankle injury as well as suffering a torn ACL this past season.			
Durability				
Explosion				
Play Strength				
GDE	CATEGORY	COMMENTS DESCRIPTION	GAMES VIEWED	COMBINE NOTES
9.0	RUN INSTINCTS	Has an incredible natural instinct for the game as a runner as he makes it look so easy on every down.	2012 – Tennessee, Florida, Ole Miss, Auburn, Alabama, Nebraska 2013 – Clemson, South Carolina, LSU, Florida, Georgia Tech 2014 – Clemson, South Carolina, Tennessee, Auburn	225 REPS – N/A VERTICAL JUMP – N/A BROAD JUMP – N/A 20 SHUTTLE – N/A 60 SHUTTLE – N/A 3 CONE – N/A
9.0	ELUSIVENESS	Has great open field ability to make defenders miss without losing speed, which is very impressive given his size.		
8.6	CUTBACK ABIL.	Can cut on a dime and explode right out of the transition given his flexibility. He seems to look for the cutback more than he needs too. However, when executed at the right moment it is a deadly skill that he possesses to break free of defenders.		
8.4	INSIDE RUNNER	He can hit the whole with power but he is more effective when bouncing outside and using his speed. He converts speed to power between the tackles but even given his large stature for a back, he is not going to maul over nose tackles up the gut.		
9.0	OUTSIDE RUNNER	Excels in bouncing outside and		

		turning the corner, using his elite top speed to gain chunks of yardage down the sideline. You better hope you can cut off his angle and force him out of bounds or he will take it to the house.		
9.0	HANDS RCVING	Possesses very soft hands out of the backfield with the ability to secure the ball and tuck it very quickly.		
9.0	ADJUST TO BALL	Very alert and does a good job of adjusting to the ball when needed.		
9.0	R.A.C	His ability to run after the catch is scary because when he gets a full head of steam with open field ahead of him all you can do is pray.		
N/A	RUN BLOCKER	N/A	CRITICAL FACTORS	
8.7	PASS BLOCKER	He proved to be an asset in pass protection giving him the ability to be a 3 down back at the next level. Every back can build upon the pass pro department, being the reason why I gave him a rating of an 8.7.	SIZE – N/A HANDS – N/A PLAY SPEED – N/A	ATH. ABILITY – N/A COMPETES – N/A BLOCKING – N/A
8.0	DURABLE / TOUGHS	Has the ability to be a workhorse back. Demonstrates exceptional overall toughness and strength in every aspect of the game. However, he has had injuries. In 2013 he missed 3 games with an ankle sprain and this past year he tore his ACL.		
9.0	FUMBLE / ERRORS	Only has 3 fumbles in 510 attempts		

STRONG POINTS

An extremely explosive and gifted, once in a decade kind of back. Has a rare combination of speed and power. Has incredibly powerful legs and shows balance through contact. Runs right through arm tackles and has top end speed to take it the distance every play. Very hard to tackle on an angle much like Marshawn Lynch. Has a good ability to set up his cut back runs. Attacks the hole and gets downfield in a hurry, staying small through the hole. Will either lay the boom on defenders or side step and blow by defenders to the outside, causing “in the box” safeties to hesitate. Coverts speed to power between the tackles and around the corner. Does not look to run out of bounds and has an exceptional finishing ability. Solid out of the backfield as he possesses soft hands and the ability to adjust to throws. Has strong hands and tucks the ball tight to his body, which shows why he has only had 3 fumbles on 510 carries throughout his collegiate career.

WEAKNESSES

Does not have many flaws in his game as a runner. He can improve his patience and tempo as a runner. Looks to cutback a little too much when he has yards ahead of him. Not a very creative style as a runner. Missed 3 games in 2013 due to an ankle injury and tore his ACL in 2014. Not sure if he will return to the same speed after the injury.

SUMMARY

Todd Gurley is the most athletically gifted runner to come out since Adrian Peterson. As far as ability is concerned there is no doubt that he is a top 5 talent in this draft before the injury. With that being said, if he can stay healthy he has the ability to be better than Adrian Peterson due to his Marshawn Lynch style of power running that AP does not possess. The NFL Combine medicals will be crucial to his draft stock as teams assess his potential durability as an NFL running back. He was not used too much at Georgia but produced at an elite level given his circumstances, which can only be a good thing for his stock as he still has plenty of miles left in the tank. However, the ACL tear could factor into his stock if his rehab does not continue to progress to get the knee back to perfect. If Gurley is able to come back at full strength, someone is going to get a steal and a difference maker for an offense. I could see a team towards the end of round one making a move for the services of this Peterson-Lynch combination of a back. I can see him fitting with the Panthers to elevate Cam Newton’s game and the Seahawks if Lynch decides to either hang them up or move on with his career.

Pro Comparison: Adrian Peterson/Marshawn Lynch