Hue Jackson

Hue Jackson^[1] (born October 22, 1965) is an American football coach who last served as the special assistant to the head coach for the Cincinnati Bengals of the National Football League (NFL). He has also served as the head coach for the Oakland Raiders and the Cleveland Browns and has been an offensive coordinator for multiple teams. [2][3] Before joining Oakland, Jackson served as an offensive assistant coach for several NFL teams, most notably as the offensive coordinator for the Washington Redskins under Steve Spurrier and the Atlanta Falcons under Bobby Petrino. Jackson's 3–36–1 record over two-and-a-half seasons with the Browns (winning percentage 8.8%) is the worst record that a head coach has recorded while presiding over an NFL team for at least 40 games. [4] [5]

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Early life and playing career

Jackson, a native of Los Angeles, was a quarterback at <u>Dorsey High School</u> in his hometown, where he also lettered in basketball. He starred in football at <u>Glendale (CA)</u> <u>Community College</u> in 1983 and 1984, where he earned his associate degree in 1984. [7]

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Jackson with the Browns in 2017

Personal information

Born: October 22, 1965

Los Angeles, California

Career information

High school: Susan Miller Dorsey

(Los Angeles, California)

College: Pacific Undrafted: 1987

Career history

As coach:

- Pacific (1987–1989)
 Graduate assistant, Wide receivers,
 Running backs & special teams
 coach
- Cal State Fullerton (1990–1991)
 Running backs coach & special teams coach
- London Monarchs (1991)Running backs coach
- Arizona State (1992–1994)
 Running backs coach
- Arizona State (1995)
 Quarterbacks coach
- California (1996)
 Offensive coordinator & quarterbacks

Jackson played quarterback at <u>Pacific</u> in the mid-1980s under <u>Bob Cope</u>. [8] As a junior, Jackson had 1,595 yards of total offense, including 502 yards rushing, second-most on the team. In his senior season, he passed for 1,455 yards and rushed for 417 yards. As a quarterback at University of the Pacific from 1985 to 1986, Jackson threw for 2,544 yards and 19 touchdowns and the Tigers went 9–14 in Jackson's two seasons. He also lettered in <u>basketball</u> in 1986 and earned his degree in physical education. [9]

Coaching career

College

Jackson began his coaching career in 1987 at Pacific, his alma mater. Jackson spent three years there from 1987 to 1989. [10] From 1990 to 1991, Jackson was the running backs coach and special teams coordinator at Cal State Fullerton.^[11] In the spring of 1991, he coached the running backs, receivers and special teams for the World League's inaugural year champion London Monarchs. [12] Later on, he spent four years (1992–1995) at Arizona State, where he was running backs coach for the first three years (1992–1994), then he handled the Sun Devil quarterbacks in 1995. [13] He led California's high-powered offense in 1996 as its offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach, he helped lead the Golden Bears to an Aloha Bowl berth.^[14] Jackson served as University of Southern California's offensive coordinator from 1997 to 2000, helping to recruit and develop players, including quarterback Carson Palmer, with whom he was later reunited in Cincinnati and Oakland. [15][16]

Jackson also held three NFL summer coaching internships, in 1990 with the <u>Los Angeles Rams</u>, 1992 with the <u>Phoenix</u> Cardinals and 1995 with the Washington Redskins.

Washington Redskins

From 2001 until 2002, Jackson was the Redskins's running backs coach under Marty Schottenheimer and Steve Spurrier. [17][18] In 2001, under Jackson's tutelage, running back Stephen Davis rushed for 1,432 yards, breaking the record he had set in 1999 for most rushing yards in a season by a Redskin. [19] In 2002, Davis was on pace for another 1,000-yard rushing season before suffering a season-ending injury. [20] Jackson was promoted to offensive coordinator in Washington by head coach Steve Spurrier in 2003 and handled the team's offensive play-calling, becoming the only coach to perform that duty other than Spurrier. [21]

- coach
- USC (1997)
 Offensive coordinator & quarterbacks coach
- USC (1998–1999)
 Offensive coordinator & running backs coach
- USC (2000)
 Offensive coordinator & quarterbacks coach
- Washington Redskins (2001–2002)
 Running backs coach
- Washington Redskins (2003)
 Offensive coordinator
- Cincinnati Bengals (2004–2006)
 Wide receivers coach
- Atlanta Falcons (2007)
 Offensive coordinator
- Baltimore Ravens (2008–2009)
 Quarterbacks coach
- Oakland Raiders (2010)
 Offensive coordinator
- Oakland Raiders (2011)
 Head coach
- Cincinnati Bengals (2012)
 Secondary assistant & special teams coach
- Cincinnati Bengals (2013)
 Running backs coach
- Cincinnati Bengals (2014–2015)
 Offensive coordinator
- Cleveland Browns (2016–2018)
 Head coach
- Cincinnati Bengals (2018)
 Special assistant to the head coach

Career highlights and awards

 PFWA NFL Assistant Coach of the Year (2015)

Head coaching record

Regular 11–44–1 (.205) **season:**

Coaching stats at PFR (https://www.pro-football-reference.com/coaches/Jack

Cincinnati Bengals

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Jackson was the wide receivers coach for the <u>Cincinnati Bengals</u> for three seasons. Under Jackson's tutelage in Cincinnati, <u>Chad Johnson</u> and <u>T. J. Houshmandzadeh</u> became one of the most prolific wide-receiving tandems in the NFL. In <u>2005</u>, the Johnson-Houshmandzadeh tandem combined to total 175 receptions for 2,388 yards, while helping the team secure the <u>AFC North</u> title and a playoff berth for the first time in 15 years.^[22] In <u>2006</u>, Johnson (1,369 yards) and Houshmandzadeh (1,081 yards) became the first pair of Bengals to eclipse the 1,000-yard receiving mark in a single season.^[23] In each of Jackson's three years in Cincinnati, Johnson was named to the Pro Bowl.^{[24][25]}

Atlanta Falcons

In <u>2007</u>, after leaving Cincinnati, Jackson was an NFL offensive coordinator for the second time when he served in that capacity for the <u>Atlanta Falcons</u> under <u>Bobby Petrino</u> and interim head coach <u>Emmitt</u> Thomas. [26]

Baltimore Ravens

From <u>2008</u> until <u>2009</u>, Jackson was Baltimore's quarterbacks coach under head coach <u>John Harbaugh</u>. ^[27] In 2008, Jackson tutored <u>Joe Flacco</u>, who became the first rookie quarterback to win two playoff games in NFL history as the Ravens advanced to the AFC Championship game. He helped the Ravens advance to the postseason in both seasons. ^[28]

Oakland Raiders

In <u>2010</u>, under Jackson's guidance as offensive coordinator, the Raiders' offense finished fourth in the AFC and sixth in the NFL in scoring (25.6 points per game). They also finished fifth in the AFC and 10th in the NFL in total offense (354.6 yards per game), and second in the NFL and AFC in rushing (155.9 yards per game). The Raiders more than doubled their scoring output from the previous year, totaling 410 points. Under Jackson's offense, running back <u>Darren McFadden</u> finished the season with 1,157 yards rushing on 223 carries for a 5.2 average yards/carry and 7 rushing touchdowns. McFadden also had 47 receptions for 507 yards and 3 touchdowns. His end of year numbers were 1,664 total yards and 10 total touchdowns for the 2010 NFL season, making McFadden the NFL's 5th leader in total yards from scrimmage for the 2010 season. [30][31]

After the 2010 season, Jackson was named Oakland Raiders head coach in 2011, succeeding Tom Cable.^[32]

Jackson was fired by the Oakland Raiders on January 10, 2012, after one season as head coach, by new general manager Reggie McKenzie. In his lone season as head coach, the Raiders finished with a record of 8–8 and missed the playoffs after starting the season 7–4. [33]

Second stint with the Cincinnati Bengals

On February 17, 2012, Jackson returned to the Cincinnati Bengals working as an assistant defensive backs coach as well as assisting on special teams. [34] The Bengals finished 10–6 in 2012 and made the playoffs, losing in the wild card round to the Houston Texans on the road. [35] On January 14, 2013, Jackson interviewed for the offensive coordinator position with the Carolina Panthers. [36] On January 30, 2013,

Jackson became the Bengals running backs coach, replacing the retired Jim Anderson.^[37] He was promoted to offensive coordinator in January 2014, replacing <u>Jay Gruden</u>.^[38] Jackson spent seven years with the Bengals.^[39]

Cleveland Browns

On January 13, 2016, Jackson was hired as head coach of the Cleveland Browns. [40] On December 18, 2016, Jackson became the first NFL coach since Rod Marinelli in 2008 to start a season 0–14. Jackson got his first win with the Browns in a 20–17 victory over the San Diego Chargers on December 24, 2016. [41] The Browns finished the season with a 1–15 record, finishing last in the NFL. The Browns finished the 2017 season without a single win, making the Browns the second team in league history to finish with a 0–16 record. [42]

On October 29, 2018, the Browns announced that they had fired Jackson, who had amassed a record of 3–36–1 during his tenure with the team, including a 2–5–1 start to the 2018 season.^[4] He also never won a road game during his tenure with Cleveland (0-20).



Jackson in 2016

Third stint with the Cincinnati Bengals

On November 12, 2018, Jackson joined the Cincinnati Bengals coaching staff in an unspecified role. The following day, it was confirmed that he would serve as an assistant to head coach <u>Marvin Lewis</u>. On January 11, 2019, Jackson was released by the Bengals. [44]

On November 14, 2019, it was reported that Jackson would lead the drills during the NFL sanctioned workout for free agent quarterback <u>Colin Kaepernick</u> on November 16, 2019.^[45] However, on November 16, the location of the workout was changed and Jackson was unable to oversee the event.^[46]

Head coaching record

Team	Year	Regular season					Postseason			
		Won	Lost	Ties	Win %	Finish	Won	Lost	Win %	Result
OAK	2011	8	8	0	.500	3rd in AFC West	_	_	_	_
OAK total		8	8	0	.500		-	-	-	-
CLE	2016	1	15	0	.063	4th in AFC North	_	_	_	_
CLE	2017	0	16	0	.000	4th in AFC North	_	_	_	_
CLE	2018	2	5	1	.313	(fired)	_	_	_	_
CLE total		3	36	1	.088		_	_	-	-
Total		11	44	1	.205		_	_	-	-

Personal life

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