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## PERTH LYNX CONFIRM SHARP PIECE OF WORK

Two-time World University Games Gold Medallist Alex Sharp will be launching her WNBL career in Western Australia with the Perth Lynx in Season 2020/21.

Sharp was also a member of the 2015 Australian Under-19 team that took bronze in the FIBA U19's Women's World Championship. Sharp joins the Lynx coming off a college career with Wake Forest University that saw her notch over 1000 points and 900 rebounds.

Perth Lynx Head Coach Ryan Petrik is no stranger to Sharp, with his WA Under 20's team coming up short against Sharp's Victorian team in the gold medal match at the 2015 Australian Junior Championships.

"We couldn't guard Alex in 2015 and we've been following her career ever since – securing her signature was a real priority for us ahead of this WNBL season. Alex is a big guard; she can really shoot it and stretch out a defence while being an elite rebounder."

"Most importantly, Alex is a high character person – everybody we spoke to raved about her attitude and approach, putting her skills and attitude alongside Ebzery and Whitcomb is something we're really excited about."

For Sharp, faced with a number of WNBL options, it was Petrik's understanding of her game and the prospect of playing with some of Australia's best talent that sealed the deal.

"Talking to Ryan, I knew that Perth was the right fit for me straight away. The opportunity to play alongside some of the best players in Australia is really exciting, I know I'll be able to continue to develop my game and I'm excited to not only re-establish myself in Australian basketball but to also show what we can do as a team this year."

Sharp is the eighth player officially announced on the Perth Lynx roster, joining Sami Whitcomb, Katie Ebzery, Darcee Garbin, Alex Ciabattoni, Maddie Allen, Nes'eya Parker-Williams and Jessie Edwards for WNBL Season 2020/21.

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