

TOM SMITH

Tom Smith made his name on the winning 1997 Lions tour of South Africa. Selected to start all three test matches alongside Paul Wallace and Keith Wood in the front row, his strong scrummaging and good hands helped to secure a 2-1 victory against all expectations.

Tom had only played three tests for Scotland before the tour but a strong start saw Ian McGeechan select him and he went on to become the only Scot to play the six consecutive Lions tests matches on the 1997 and 2001 tours.

Tom earned his first Scotland cap in 1997 in the Calcutta Cup match and was a first choice for his country for eight years, winning the Five Nations in 1999 and leading them throughout the 2001 Autumn Internationals. Smith was also Scotland's Player of the Season in 2000/2001. After an international career that included two World Cups, Smith's final match in the blue jersey came, appropriately enough, against England in the 2005 Six Nations clash at Twickenham.

After a club career that included spells at Glasgow Caledonians, Watsonians and Brive, Tom made his Northampton debut on September 1, 2001. Over the subsequent eight seasons his appetite for the action never diminished; neither did his popularity with the Saints' fans. His time at Franklin's Gardens included two Powergen Cup finals, a Heineken Cup semi-final and three Heineken Cup quarter finals. He remained at Northampton until his retirement from playing in 2009.

Tom retired at the end of the 2008-09 season to become forwards coach for Magners League side Edinburgh. After three seasons in 2012 Tom returned to France as the Head Coach of Lyon.

Playing Career			
Position:	Prop		
Professional / senior clubs			
Years	Club/Team	Caps	Points
2001-2009	Northampton Saints	193	50
1999-2001	CA Brive	54	15
1998-1999	Glasgow Caledonians		
1996-1998	Caledonia Reds		
1992-1996	Watsonians		
1990-1992	Dundee High School FP		
National Team			
Years	Club / team	Caps	Points
1997-2005	Scotland	61	30
1997	British & Irish Lions Tour of South Africa	3	
2001	British & Irish Lions Tour of Australia	3	
Coaching			
2009 - 2012	Edinburgh, Forward Coach		
2012-present	Lyon Olympique Universitaire Head coach		