

Willie MacIver: C

DOB: 10/28/96 (25)

HT: 6'2"

WT: 205

H/T: R/R

Acquired: 2018, 9th Round (276) - COL

Highest Level: AAA (Albuquerque)

ETA: 2022

Grades:

Hit	Power	Field	Throw	Run	OFP	Risk
40	45	50	50	40	40	Moderate

PHYSICAL: Solid frame with an athletic build. Fits the muscular mold and has great size for a catcher. Somewhat maxed out in terms of size but in great shape with a strong lower half.

STRENGTHS: Comfortable behind home plate; swift and has great awareness with runners on. Athletic in crouch, average pop times and receiving skills have improved over the years. Has the ability and athleticism to play the corner infield positions while maintaining an accurate arm at the hot corner. Soft hands and glove action behind the dish. Offensively, he sets up square towards the mound with minimal hand movement and rests bat slightly above shoulder. Strong lower half with good bat angle, can really drive the ball to both fields with raw power on his pull side.

WEAKNESSES: Below average runner; very stationary at times but athleticism makes up for lack of speed between the basepaths. Strikeout rate has been high at times, and needs to be more selective and patient at the plate to work the count. Could still improve on defensive game as a catcher to become above average at the position.

SUMMARY: Has a great work ethic and was quoted to have a "first guy in, last guy out" mentality when playing for Hartford (AA). Easily coachable and always looking for ways to improve. Plate discipline can be better but has worked hard to elevate his game. Cut down on strikeouts and continue to hit the ball on a line. Has some power potential and average to above average defensive skills can see him as a solid backup catcher in the future.

EVALUATOR: Ethan Kagno