# Some Fun Facts About Olympic Basketball That You Don't Know



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The Olympic basketball tournament is one of the most prestigious sporting events in the world. It has been held every four years since 1936, and has featured some of the greatest players in the history of the game. Here are some fun facts about Olympic basketball that you may not know.

# The first Olympic basketball game was played in 1936

The first Olympic basketball game was played on August 10, 1936, at the Reich Sports Field in Berlin, Germany. The United States defeated Canada 19-8 in the opening game of the tournament.

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## Lebron James is the all-time leading scorer in Olympic basketball

LeBron James is the all-time leading scorer in Olympic basketball, with 666 points. James has played in four Olympic Games, and has won two gold medals and one bronze medal.

# The tallest player in Olympic basketball history is Gheorghe Muresan

The tallest player in Olympic basketball history is Gheorghe Muresan, who stands 7'7" tall. Muresan played for Romania in the 1996 and 2000 Olympic Games.

#### The shortest player in Olympic basketball history is Muggsy Bogues

The shortest player in Olympic basketball history is Muggsy Bogues, who stands 5'3" tall. Bogues played for the United States in the 1988 and 1992 Olympic Games.

#### The oldest player in Olympic basketball history is Oscar Schmidt

The oldest player in Olympic basketball history is Oscar Schmidt, who was 45 years old when he played for Brazil in the 2004 Olympic Games.

#### The youngest player in Olympic basketball history is Toni Kukoc

The youngest player in Olympic basketball history is Toni Kukoc, who was 16 years old when he played for Yugoslavia in the 1988 Olympic Games.

#### The most points scored in an Olympic basketball game is 158

The most points scored in an Olympic basketball game is 158, which was set by the United States in a 158-77 victory over Nigeria in the 2012 Olympic Games.

## The most assists in an Olympic basketball game is 20

The most assists in an Olympic basketball game is 20, which was set by John Stockton in a 122-81 victory over Spain in the 1992 Olympic Games.

## The most rebounds in an Olympic basketball game is 31

The most rebounds in an Olympic basketball game is 31, which was set by Charles Barkley in a 123-82 victory over Croatia in the 1992 Olympic Games.

## The most blocks in an Olympic basketball game is 8

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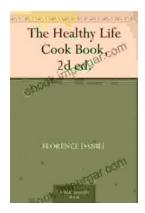
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