



**DEREK  
JOHNSON**

**PITCHING COACH**

**36**

**Age:** 47 **Ht.:** 5-10 **Wt.:** 215 **B:** R **T:** L **Seasons In Majors:** None

**Born:** 7/16/71 **Birthplace:** Gibson City, IL **Resides:** Nashville, TN

**Joined Reds Organization:** On 11/2/18, as Major League pitching coach

**Joined Major League Coaching Staff:** On 11/2/18, as pitching coach

**PROFESSIONAL COACHING CAREER:** Derek Johnson is in his first season in the organization...on 11/2/18 was named pitching coach on new manager David Bell's Major League staff...spent the previous 3 seasons in the same position with the Milwaukee Brewers...Mil's cumulative team ERA of 3.94 ERA over the 2016-2018 seasons was the fourth-best in the National League in that span behind the Los Angeles Dodgers (3.49), Chicago Cubs (3.58) and Washington Nationals (3.81) and eighth-best in the Major Leagues...in 2017, the Brewers' 3.54 ERA from 7/28 through the remainder of the season (58g) ranked third in the Major Leagues in that span behind only the Cleveland Indians (2.67) and New York Yankees (3.50)...in 2016, from 8/22 through the remainder of the season (39g) Brewers pitchers posted a 3.13 ERA, the best in the Major Leagues...for 3 seasons from 2013-2015, in his first professional coaching position was the minor league pitching coordinator for the Chicago Cubs.

**JOHNSON'S PITCHING STAFFS**

Team	Year	ERA	NL Rank
Brewers	2018	3.73	4th
Brewers	2017	4.00	5th
Brewers	2016	4.08	7th
<b>2016 - 2018</b>		<b>3.94</b>	<b>4th</b>

**COLLEGE CAREER:** From 2002-2012 was the pitching coach at Vanderbilt University...in his last 3 seasons with the Commodores also served as associate head coach...was National Pitching Coach of the Year in 2004 and National Assistant Coach of the Year in 2010...in 2011 helped lead Vanderbilt to its first College World Series appearance, guiding a staff that featured 8 pitchers who were selected in Major League Baseball's first-year player draft...also coached at Eastern Illinois University (1994), Southern Illinois University (1995-1997) and Stetson University (1998-2001)...as a college coach, mentored 13 pitchers who have appeared in the Major Leagues, including Jason Frasor (Southern Illinois), Lenny DiNardo (Stetson), Jeremy Sowers (Vanderbilt), Jensen Lewis (Vanderbilt), Mike Minor (Vanderbilt), David Price (Vanderbilt), Sonny Gray (Vanderbilt), Nick Christiani (Vanderbilt), Taylor Hill (Vanderbilt), Drew Verhagen (Vanderbilt), Caleb Cotham (Vanderbilt), Drew Hayes (Vanderbilt) and Matt Buschmann (Vanderbilt)...helped produce 6 first round/supplemental first round draft picks, including Jeremy Sowers (6th overall, Cle, 2004), David Price (1st, TB, 2007), Casey Weathers (8th, Col, 2007), Mike Minor (7th, Atl, 2009), Sonny Gray (18th, Oak, 2011) and Grayson Garvin (59th, TB, 2011).

**PERSONAL:** Graduated from University High School in Normal, Illinois...attended Lakeland (FL) Junior College from 1989-1991 before graduating from Eastern Illinois University in 1994...in 1993 was All Mid-Continent Conference as a lefthanded pitcher...in 2012 authored *The Complete Guide To Pitching*...wife's name is Tasha...they have a son, Teague, and a daughter, Taite.

**MOST RECENT PITCHING COACHES**

2019 ..... Derek Johnson	2006 ..... * Tom Hume	1984 ..... Stan Williams
2018 ..... ^ Danny Darwin	2005-06 ..... Vern Ruhle	1979-83 ..... Bill Fischer
2016-18 ..... Mack Jenkins	1993-2005 ..... Don Gullett	1970-78 ..... Larry Shepard
2016 .... Mark Riggins & ^ Mack Jenkins	1992-93 ..... Larry Rothschild	1969 ..... Harvey Haddix
2014-15 ..... Jeff Pico	1990-91 ..... Stan Williams	1966-68 ..... Mel Harder
2010-13 ..... Bryan Price	1986-89 ..... Scott Breeden	
2007-09 ..... Dick Pole	1984-85 ..... Jim Kaat	

\* Bullpen coach, served as interim pitching coach  
^ Interim pitching coach