



## Title information



### Kings in Waiting

Somerset's Quest to Win the County Championship

By Thomas Blow

#### Key features

- Enthralling history of one of English cricket's most intriguing clubs that will appeal to all county cricket fans
- Examines how Somerset rose from obscurity under Justin Langer, how they became fiercely competitive and why they have consistently failed to win crucial matches.
- Includes interviews with several well-known Somerset players including Charl Willoughby, Nick Compton and Chris Rogers
- It also contains a photo section, capturing some of the key moments in the club's history from the last decade
- Publicity campaign planned including radio, newspapers, websites, podcasts and magazines

### Description

*Kings in Waiting* is the story of how Somerset failed to win their maiden Championship title despite finishing second five times during the 2010s. Since they finished bottom of the table in 2006, Somerset have enjoyed and endured the most exciting period in their history. Following their bottom-of-the-table finish, they hired Justin Langer as their captain and he transformed them into one of the most competitive teams in the land. He departed in 2009, although the good work he had done alongside his successor Marcus Trescothick was expected to result in trophies. But they somehow failed to deliver, remarkably finishing as runners-up in eight tournaments between 2009 and 2012. This led to them being described as the bridesmaids of English cricket. After a few quiet years, a new team began to emerge under Chris Rogers, one full of youth and promise. He guided them to second in 2016 and his successor Tom Abell finally managed to win a trophy in 2019. Yet the all-important Championship title remains absent from their cabinet.

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