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JA'MARCUS INGRAM

AGE: 26 (September 2, 1997)

COLLEGE: Buffalo

HOMETOWN: Dallas, TX

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HT: 6-2 | WT: 190

NFL EXP: 1 Year

ACQUIRED: UDFA (2022)

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FIRST-AND-10

JA'MARCUS INGRAM joined the Bills as an undrafted free agent out of Buffalo. Prior to the 2021 season at Buffalo, Ingram spent time at Texas Tech and Utah State.

SHOUTOUTS

- Spent the 2022-23 seasons on the Bills' practice squad.
 Appeared in two games in 2022 and three games in 2023.
- Made his NFL debut at Mia. (9/25/22) and finished with two tackles.
- Started all 11 games he played in at Buffalo in 2021.
 Recorded 47 tackles, 2.5 tackles for loss, a forced fumble and three pass breakups.
- Had a season-high 10 tackles, a tackle for loss and a pass breakup at Kent State (10/9/21).
- Played two seasons at Texas Tech at cornerback and safety. Appeared in 21 games with one start.
- Began his career as a walk-on at Utah State where he played in 19 games and made 15 starts in two seasons.

PERSONAL

Son of Godfrey Ingram and Tresa McMillian. Ingram earned a bachelor's degree in sociology and a master's degree in interdisciplinary studies (business & education). Ingram is one of 10 siblings and names his father, who passed away in 2018, as his biggest influence. In 2023, founded a clothing company, Trealogy.

IF YOU HAVEN'T HERD

A DREAM COME TRUE

Ja'Marcus Ingram had no scholarship offers coming out of high school in Dallas. He had to walk on to Utah State and pay his own way his first year of college.

After two years as a starter at Utah State and two years as a backup at Texas Tech, he finished his college career as a full-time starting cornerback last season at the University at Buffalo.

So when the Buffalo Bills offered him a contract after a twoday rookie minicamp tryout last month, Ingram said it was the culmination of a dream that he had kept alive against the odds over a long road.

"It's surreal; it's still kind of hard to wrap my mind around it," Ingram said after a recent Bills practice. "Right after the second rookie minicamp practice, it felt like I was about to go home because they huddled us up and said at 4 o'clock they would be transporting us to the airport. I was like, 'Dang, they're going to send us home. I'll be going back to Dallas.' But after the coaches huddled up, they walked over to me and whispered in my ear, 'Congratulations, we want to sign you.' It was a dream come true."

(The Buffalo News, Mark Gaughan, June 4, 2022)

THE STAMPEDE

Favorite player growing up: LaDainian Tomlinson

Bucket list item: Sky dive

Dream vacation spots: Butter pecan