



# My idol

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# Alexander Ovechkin



Alexander Mikhaylovich Ovechkin (September 17, 1985, Moscow, USSR) is a Russian professional hockey player, the left wing striker of the NHL Washington Capitals. Before, Ovechkin played in the Super League for the Moscow "Dynamo". Was drafted by "Washington" in 2004, becoming the second after Kovalchuk Russian hockey player, selected under the general first number [4]. In the American club Alexander spent 12 seasons, in 2010 he became the captain of the team. In January 2008, Ovechkin signed with the "Washington" 13-year contract worth \$ 124 million [5], thereby becoming the first hockey player to contract more than \$ 100 million.

# International career



The first international competition Ovechkin was the junior world championship in 2002. Alexander was the best in the championship in terms of points scored (18) [19], and the Russian team took second place, losing to the US team only on the difference between goals scored and missed goals [134]. In January 2003, he played for the youth team at the youth world championship, where he scored 6 goals and helped the team win the gold medals of the championship. This was the first international gold award of Alexander.

# The style of play and performance



Ovechkin plays in fast power hockey, featuring self-giving and dedication on the court. Alexander says that he likes power hockey, so since childhood he was rooting for players like Owen Nolan or Jerome Iginla. Alexander Yakushev believes Ovechkin to be a strong master and notes his "bull mode of play", ideally suited to the "Enkhaelov system": "This is his league." Drawing parallels between well-known players of the recent past and present, experts from The Hockey News compared Ovechkin with Jaromir Jagr.

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- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WHLBmerD3EM>