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The Trail Blazers have been to three NBA Finals, winning just once in 1977. During the existence of the team, they have made the playoffs 29 times. The household names within the franchise include Bill Walton, Clyde Drexler, Buck Williams, Maurice Lucas, Terry Porter, Brandon Roy and Sidney Wicks. The best players in franchise history, in my opinion, are Terry Porter, Clyde Drexler and Bill Walton. Most [NBA handicappers](#) would agree.

### **No. 3: Terry Porter (1985 - 1995)**

Terry Porter's career at Portland saw him average 14.6 points per game and 6.8 assists per game. In 7 of his 10 seasons at Portland, Terry had picked up over 100 steals. He was the leader of the team when it made the NBA Finals both in 1990 and 1992. He was also named to the All-Star team in 1991 and 1992. Porter still holds the record for most assists in franchise history (5,319).

### **No.2: Clyde Drexler (1983 - 1995)**

Clyde Drexler, also known as "Clyde the Glide", suited up for the Trail Blazers for 12 years. Named to the NBA Hall of Fame in 2004, he put up 20.9 points per contest, 5.8 assists per contest and 7 boards per contest, as well as being voted to the All-Star team 10 times in his career. In 1990, the shooting guard led the Blazers to the 1990 NBA Championship against Detroit, but lost to a powerful Pistons squad. After having the best record in the regular season in 1991, the Blazers were the top choice to win the title heading into the postseason, but lost to the Lakers in the Western Conference Championship. In 1992, Drexler again led his squad to the NBA Finals against the Chicago Bulls, where they were defeated a second time in the championship series. Drexler's quickness on the floor was undeniable and his calm demeanor off and on the court was highly respected throughout the NBA.

### **No. 1: Bill Walton (1974 - 1978)**

Bill Walton was a member of the team when the Blazers captured their only league title in 1977, where he was voted the Finals MVP. In Portland's championship year, he put up 18.6 points per contest, 14.4 boards per contest and over 3 blocks per contest. Walton is the only Portland player to be named MVP (1978) and was named to the All Star team two times while playing for the Blazers. His injuries eventually surpassed his true potential, but whenever he was on the floor for Portland, he was nothing short of superb.

Clyde Drexler's career actually could make him the number 1 player in Trail Blazer's history. The proven fact that Bill Walton really led the Blazers to their only championship rates him higher than any other player to my mind. In spite of his awfully brief time with Portland, I see him as the best Trail Blazer of best-ever.

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