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2014 NFL Mock Draft: "Guessing" the Names to Be Called on Day One in New York



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The 2014 [NFL Draft](#) is shaping up to be the most unpredictable draft in recent history. QB Johnny Manziel is arguably the most polarizing prospect in the history of the NFL draft process. Questions abound whether DE Jadeveon Clowney is a once-in-a-decade defensive lineman or the next athletic freak to fail in the pros. Similarly, scouts disagree on whether quarterbacks such as Teddy Bridgewater or Derek Carr are prospective top-10 picks or unlikely to be selected in the first round entirely.

In addition, the league's decision to move this year's draft to May as opposed to late April has fueled increased analysis, speculation, and mock drafts. In fact, there is no better example of just how unpredictable this year's NFL draft appears to be than the status of the first-overall pick: no one—maybe not even the [Houston Texans](#) who own the pick and are [reportedly split](#) on Manziel vs. Clowney—knows what will happen on that fateful evening that is less than two weeks away.

Below are my predictions for the names that NFL commissioner Roger Goodell will announce on May 8:

1. **Houston Texans:** DE Jadeveon Clowney, South Carolina
2. **[St. Louis Rams](#) (from Washington Redskins):** OT Greg Robinson, Auburn
3. **Jacksonville Jaguars:** OLB Khalil Mack, Buffalo
4. **Cleveland Browns:** QB Johnny Manziel, Texas A&M
5. **Oakland Raiders:** WR Sammy Watkins, Clemson
6. **Atlanta Falcons:** OT Jake Matthews, Texas A&M
7. **Tampa Bay Buccaneers:** WR Mike Evans, Texas A&M
8. **Minnesota Vikings:** QB Blake Bortles, Central Florida
9. **Buffalo Bills:** OT Taylor Lewan, Michigan
10. **Detroit Lions:** TE Eric Ebron, North Carolina
11. **Tennessee Titans:** CB Justin Gilbert, [Oklahoma](#) State
12. **New York Giants:** DT Aaron Donald, Pittsburgh
13. **[St. Louis Rams](#):** FS Ha Ha Clinton-Dix, Alabama
14. **Chicago Bears:** C.J. Mosley, ILB, Alabama
15. **[Pittsburgh Steelers](#):** CB Darqueze Dennard, Michigan State
16. **[Dallas Cowboys](#):** DT Timmy Jernigan, Florida State
17. **[Baltimore Ravens](#):** FS Calvin Pryor, Louisville

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- 18. **New York Jets:** WR Marqise Lee, USC
- 19. **Miami Dolphins:** OT Zack Martin, Notre Dame
- 20. **Arizona Cardinals:** OLB Anthony Barr, UCLA
- 21. **Green Bay Packers:** DE/DT Ra'Shede Hageman, Minnesota
- 22. **Philadelphia Eagles:** WR Odell Beckham, LSU
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- 24. **Cincinnati Bengals:** DE Kony Ealy, Missouri
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- 27. **[New Orleans](#) Saints:** CB Kyle Fuller, Virginia Tech
- 28. **Carolina Panthers:** WR Kelvin Benjamin, Florida State
- 29. **New England Patriots:** DE Stephon Tuitt, Notre Dame
- 30. **San Francisco 49ers:** CB Jason Verrett, TCU
- 31. **Denver Broncos:** OG Xavier Su'a-Filo, UCLA
- 32. **[Seattle](#) Seahawks:** CB Bradley Roby, Ohio State

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