

Scary Hours Part II? Ben Simmons Says New-Look Brooklyn Nets Will Be ‘Scary’ Good

Brooklyn Nets Ben Simmons, ideal, speaks with Kevin Durant throughout the veryfirst half of an NBA ... [+] basketball videogame versus the Sacramento Kings, Monday, Feb. 14, 2022, in New York. (AP Photo/Corey Sipkin)

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That’s what Ben Simmons is appealing with the Brooklyn Nets.

After James Harden stated the Nets would be “scary hours” with its “Big 3” of Harden, Kevin Durant and Kyrie Irving, Simmons is appealing more of the verysame assoonas he matches up togetherwith Durant and Irving, albeit in a various function than Harden’s.

“Oh, I believe it’s going to be frightening,” Simmons, who is working his method back after dealing with psychological health concerns that have kept him out all season with the Philadelphia 76ers, stated Tuesday at his initial press conference following last week’s smashhit trade in which Harden was dealt to the Sixers.

“Having those men running togetherwith me, it’s several various weapons on the flooring and I believe at the rate we desire to play at it, it’s going to be unbelievable.”

After sitting on the bench in street clothing for Monday night’s win over the Sacramento Kings that snapped Brooklyn’s 11-game losing streak, the 6-foot-10 Simmons stated he has no precise date for his launching.

“No date yet however I’m absolutely beginning to ramp it up,” stated the 25-year-old previous No. 1 general choice.

Simmons stated he hopes to be allset by the March 10 videogame at the Sixers, while there hasactually been speculation that Simmons and/or Durant (MCL sprain) might play in the Feb. 24 videogame with Boston after the All-Star break.

The Nets (30-27) are presently the No. 8 seed in the East.

Simmons hasn't played because June 20, 2021, when the Sixers lost Game 7 of the Eastern Conference semifinals to Atlanta.

The Sixers fan base grew irritated with Simmons when he notoriously passed off an open dunk effort in that videogame and was apparently scared to shoot.

Asked after the videogame if Simmons might be a champion point guard, Sixers coach Doc Rivers stated, "I wear't understand."

Rivers later on stated his remarks were misrepresented.

Sixers star Joel Embiid stated last September that Simmons' holdout was "borderline rude to the group."

"The scenario is frustrating, borderline kind of rude to all the men that are out here combating for their lives," Embiid stated.

After the trade, Simmons stated he spoke with Rivers, Sixers GM Elton Brand and Tobias Harris, who all wanted him great luck.

"They were delighted for me to get back on the flooring and get to a various circumstance," he stated.

Asked if he spoke to Embiid, Simmons stated, "No, I did not."

He stated he holds no ill will towards anybody in Philadelphia and desired to leave the company for his psychological health.

"It was neverever a individual thing, it was for my wellness," he stated.

Asked if there were any reports or mistaken beliefs from his time in Philadelphia he desired to clear up, Simmons joked, "Man, we would be here for a while if that's the case."

Asked if he might determine what went incorrect in Philadelphia, he stated, "If I understood i would inform you whatever. A lot of things internally that had to takeplace over time and it simply got to a location where I puton't believe it was for me psychologically so it is what it is and it occurred and I'm moving forward."

He stated the hardest part was not being able to play basketball this season.

"Not doing what I love that was absolutely the most hard part," he stated.

Simmons stated he's been lifting weights, doing Pilates and playing 2-on-2, 3-on-3 and 4-on-4 to stay in shape.

“I feel physically quite excellent, psychologically I’m getting there,” he stated.

He was on the bench Monday night smiling and laughing with his brand-new colleagues. Asked if some individuals will believe he fabricated the psychological health concerns — and that Harden fabricated his hamstring injury which is keeping him out till after the All-Star break — Simmons stated:

“They need to be delighted I’m smiling, truthfully I’ve had some dark times over the last 6 months however I’m simply delighted to be with this group and this company.

“People are constantly going to have their own viewpoints.”

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